

THE WESTERN CRICKETER

2021-22



WA
CRICKET

Reduce your drinking, Reduce your risk!



Alcohol-related disease is often associated with what is commonly referred to as 'heavy' drinking. However, anyone who regularly **drinks more than 10 standard drinks a week** is at increased risk of developing an alcohol-related disease.

Put simply, the more you drink over your lifetime, the higher your risk of dying from disease or injury². The less you choose to drink, the lower your risk of experiencing alcohol-related harm.

Long term effects

Over time, alcohol causes long-term damage to the body by adversely affecting organs and tissues.^{1, 3}

- Cancer in at least seven sites of the body, including mouth, throat, liver, bowel and breast.
- Cardiovascular disease and stroke;
- Liver disease;
- Alcohol use disorder or alcohol dependence; and
- Mental health problems.

For tips on how to reduce your drinking visit alcoholthinkagain.com.au/alcohol-your-health/tips-to-reduce-drinking

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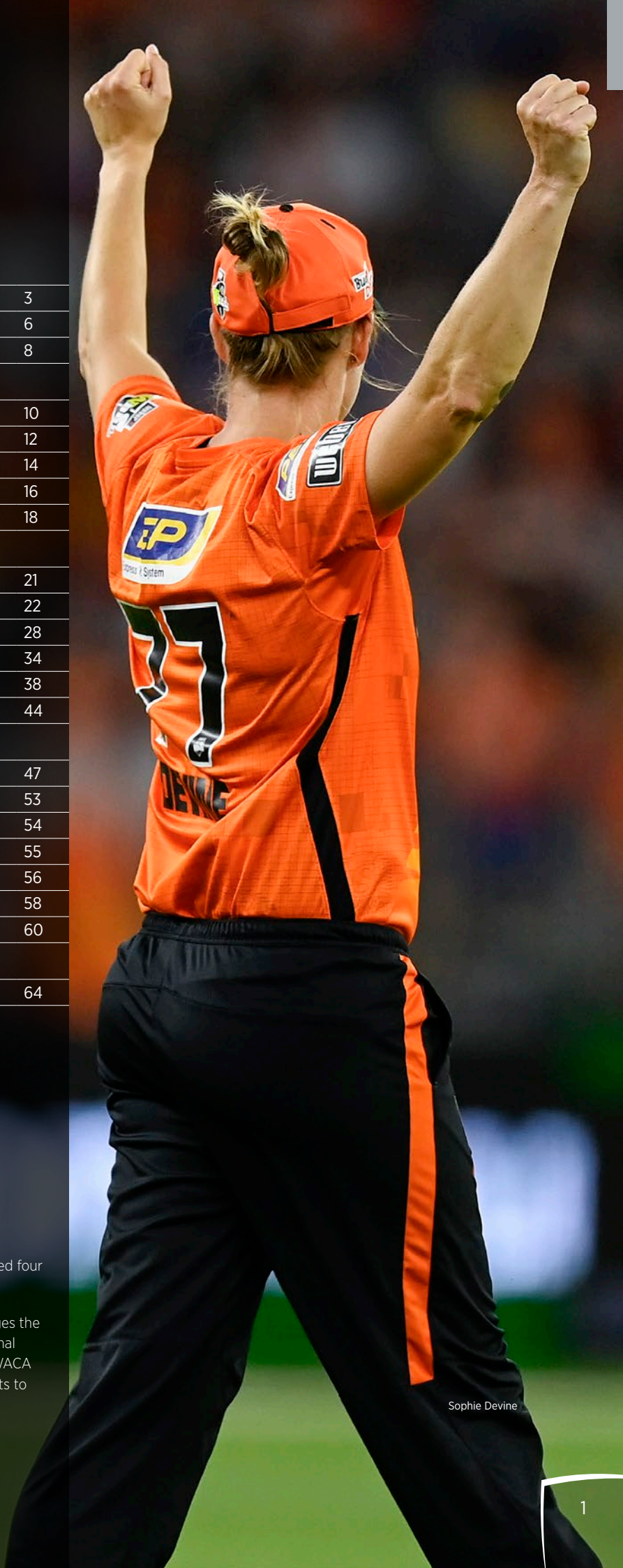
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Cover: An historic season: WA and Perth Scorchers added four trophies to the cabinet during the 2021-22 season.

The Western Australian Cricket Association, acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Nyoongar Nation as the Traditional Custodians of this country and its waters and that the WACA Ground stands on Whadjuk Country. We pay our respects to Nyoongar Elders both past and present.



Sophie Devine



WA Cricket Chair Hon. Tuck Waldron
and CEO Christina Matthews



Executive Report

The last two years have been challenging for everyone in this country as we've navigated our collective 'new normal' with the COVID-19 pandemic ever present.

While many of us had hoped the worst was behind us last season, 2021-22 saw another year of lockdowns and frustrations across Australia.

Given the circumstances, Australian Cricket did a remarkable job to complete the last two seasons, which didn't happen without a level of anxiety, heartache, and resilience.

The season was regularly altered and revised, often at extremely short notice in response to the changing environment and tough border restrictions imposed.

Due to these restrictions, we lost a huge amount of cricket in WA, including all international matches and majority of the KFC Big Bash League season, which was bitterly disappointing.

The inability to host the Ashes Test that was to be played at Perth Stadium for the first time ever was extremely disappointing and difficult to accept. However, this did not waiver our efforts to secure as much live cricket as possible for our Members during the summer, as they always remained our priority.

We worked very closely with Cricket Australia and our State Government to realise what was and wasn't possible for the season ahead and remain greatly appreciative for their assistance in enabling our season to be completed.

We also want to acknowledge the dedication of, and sacrifices made by our staff, players, coaches, clubs, umpires,

and volunteers who reacted swiftly to the ever-changing circumstances and complexities of delivering the season. Your commitment to the game was so important.

The WA Cricket family continued to be incredibly supportive with more than 90% of our Members renewing in a year when opportunities to watch the cricket in Perth was limited. This was both humbling and overwhelming and your support is the greatest privilege for our game.

While our Members have been remarkable, so too have our partners. We'd like to thank our WA Cricket and Perth Scorchers partners Peet, Healthway, Budget Direct, PEP Transport, the Insurance Commission of WA, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Komatsu, Murdoch University, Toyota, Nova 93.7, Kookaburra, SKG, New Balance, Variety WA, Autism Association of WA, Lord Taverners WA and Youth Focus for making the season possible.

Despite the challenges, we do have a lot to celebrate this season with our two Big Bash League teams and WA Men's One-Day and Sheffield Shield teams bringing home the silverware, a deserving reward for truly exceptional campaigns on the road.

We feel a great sense of pride for WA Cricket; what we have achieved over the season isn't small, it's been our biggest success yet.

We witnessed historic firsts for WA.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CRICKET STRATEGY 2020-2022 REFRESH

We will:

- Enhance Member and fan experiences by creating opportunities to connect through year-round engagement and memorable match-days.
- Work side-by-side with our volunteers to create quality cricket experiences to increase the number of juniors playing and staying in our game and support their transition into senior competitions and programs.
- Deliver the leading High Performance system in Australian Cricket.
- Deliver the WACA Ground Improvement Project with an ongoing sustainable business model.
- Lead Australian Cricket as the sport for women and girls and all diversity groups.
- Share the stories that inspire a broader community passion for cricket.
- Cement Murdoch University as the third tier of WA Cricket's elite three grounds framework to deliver a sustainable business model on and off the field.

After seven summers and two losing grand finals, our Perth Scorchers Women lifted their maiden Women's Big Bash League trophy in front of a record League crowd of more than 15,000 at Optus Stadium.

Star openers Beth Mooney and Sophie Devine proved central to our success and were selected in the WBBL Team of the Tournament.

After losing the Men's Big Bash League Final last summer, our Scorchers Men were on a mission to take their game one step higher - and they did, claiming a fourth title, becoming the most successful team in the competition.

The team dealt with serious adversity of their own, being away from home for 50 days and 15 consecutive matches with a third of their squad getting COVID over the tournament.

Then just over a month later, our WA Men claimed their 15th One-Day Cup title, the second in three years, and created history at the WACA Ground, securing their first Sheffield Shield title in 23 years - the pinnacle for men's cricket in WA, completing a remarkable summer for our men's team.

WA Men's Head Coach Adam Voges was at the forefront of this achievement, becoming the second coach to win the MBBL, One-Day Cup and Sheffield Shield in the same season.

Our WA Women were grateful to take the field with the pandemic causing the continual postponement and reshuffling of fixtures. Although they didn't get the results they were after, it was pleasing to see so many young players stand up and relish the opportunity.

Unfortunately, we couldn't celebrate our players' achievements and team success in person due to COVID restrictions. Instead, we streamed the newly renamed WA Cricket Awards online which was hosted by Australian cricket legend Adam Gilchrist.

Hilton Cartwright won his second Laurie Sawle Medal after a brilliant campaign that was crucial to WA winning their Shield title and One-Day Cup. Amy Edgar took home her first Zoë Goss Medal following a career-best campaign that saw her finish as WA's leading run-scorer.

We'd like to pay our respects to WA cricketing great Laurie Sawle AM and his family and friends following his passing this year. Laurie was enormous to the fabric of cricket in WA and Australia for decades.

He was an incredibly talented and devoted administrator, and his passion for cricket never waned. Even years after his retirement, we'd regularly see him at the WACA Ground cheering WA on.

The fact our highest individual men's award is named after him speaks volumes about the type of character he was, and the legacy he left.

The season also saw five-time Zoë Goss medalist Nicole Bolton call stumps on her decorated State cricket career. The three-time Women's National Cricket League Player of the Year retires as the State's all-time leading run scorer in the women's game and leaves a legacy of excellence.

It was pleasing to see Josh Inglis, Josh Philippe and Alana King debut for Australia over the summer. They all looked so comfortable at the top level.

Off the field, we took significant strides forward with the WACA Ground Improvement Project. We've seen the demolition and removal of the Inverarity and Prindiville Stands, clearing the way for the new, and inclusive improvements to come.

We also welcomed the return of Western Australian Football League games, which marked a major milestone in our vision to become a boutique multi-sport and community venue.

There is such a rich sporting history at the WACA Ground and WAFL plays a big part in that history, so this partnership is an opportunity to create more incredible sporting moments for WA sports fans.

The WA Cricket Foundation continues to improve the lives of more Western Australians through cricket, supporting the delivery of a range of diversity and inclusion programs across the State. More than 1,000 Aboriginal young people and 800 people with a disability were engaged and connected with our great game.

We have already helped hundreds of young women across many demographics and backgrounds to find a pathway to success in cricket, through our leadership programs.

After two years of significant impact at community level, our overall registered participation held steady compared to last season. WA recorded strong participation growth across junior and senior cricket clubs, as well as a rise in individual girls registering to play club cricket.

Consistent with the trend across the country, the entry-level Woolworths Cricket Blast program experienced a decline in participation due to the cancellation of programs delivered in schools due to COVID restrictions.

Our mission for this upcoming season is bringing more kids into cricket, and we have a range of key initiatives planned with clubs and associations across the State for next season that form part of Australian Cricket's five-year Community Cricket strategy.

With the growth of women and girls in cricket a major priority, we will continue to develop programs and pathways that offer more opportunities for these participants than ever before.

WA Cricket is committed to creating a community that actively promotes respect, belonging and equal opportunity for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Western Australia as a key part of our Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) which we officially launched in June.

The RAP is the first step in WA Cricket's commitment to implementing reconciliation initiatives. Through our people, our programs, and our work, we will continue to ensure all who follow our game know where we stand on equality for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities.

We were thrilled to learn that three Western Australian community cricket clubs received top honours at Cricket Australia's 2021-22 National Community Cricket Awards for their outstanding achievements in all areas of community cricket.

Congratulations to Warwick Greenwood Cricket Club, the WA Country Cricket Board, and Young Leader of the Year Neel Kalia.

Our success over the season provided so much joy for Western Australians and now we're ready to play a key leadership role as we connect and rebuild our communities throughout an exciting 2022-23 season of International and domestic cricket in Perth.

We'd like to thank the WACA Board for their ongoing support and guidance as we continue to build the future of WA Cricket.

Much work is still to be done as we adapt to our new world, but our message remains clear that there is a place in our great game for everyone no matter their gender, ability, and background. We are a sport for all.

Hon. Tuck Waldron | Chair

Christina Matthews | Chief Executive Officer



Hayden Collins, Darcy Short, Prof Colleen Hayward AM, Hon. Tuck Waldron, Mathilda Carmichael at the RAP launch event.

Western Australian Cricket Association Limited

BOARD & MANAGEMENT

as at 30 June 2022

BOARD

Chair

The Hon TK (Terrence) Waldron

Deputy Chair

Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM

Member Elected Directors

The Hon TK (Terrence) Waldron, Mr TF (Thomas) Percy QC, Ms N (Nicola) Brandon, Prof CP (Colleen) Hayward AM (Casual Vacancy from 7 Jun 2022), Mr MR (Michael) Veletta (until 20 May 2022) and Mr GM (Graeme) Wood (until 8 Jun 2022).

Cricket Appointed Directors

Mr CK (Christian) Bauer and Ms AJ (Avril) Fahey

Board Appointed Directors

Mr DJ (David) Bailey, Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM and The Hon KG (Kerry) Sanderson AC CVO

COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr RI (Richard) Marshall

COMMITTEES

- Nominations, Remuneration & Governance Committee
- Audit and Risk Committee
- WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP) Steering Committee
- Statewide Game Development Committee

Register of WACA Board Members attendance at Board meetings (11 meetings held)

The Hon TK (Terrence) Waldron (Chair)	10
Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM (Deputy Chair)	10
The Hon KG (Kerry) Sanderson AC CVO	11
Mr DJ (David) Bailey	10
Ms AJ (Avril) Fahey	11
Mr CK (Christian) Bauer	11
Mr TF (Thomas) Percy QC	9
Ms N (Nicola) Brandon	10
Prof CP (Colleen) Hayward AM	1/1
Mr MR (Michael) Veletta	9/9
Mr GM (Graeme) Wood	9/10

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Chief Executive Officer

Ms C (Christina) Matthews

Chief Operating Officer

Mr JCK (Justin) Michael

GENERAL MANAGERS

Commercial, Marketing & Communications

Mr SV (Shay) Nasta (until 18 Mar 2022)

Commercial, Marketing & Stakeholder Engagement

Ms J (Jess) Keily (from 27 Apr 2022)

Community Cricket

Ms JS (Jo) Davies

High Performance

Mr KM (Kade) Harvey

People & Culture

Ms CL (Carla) Brayn

WACA Ground & Support Venues

Mrs JS (Joanna) Coubrough

Executive Operations WA

Ms E (Emma) Ramage (until 28 Jan 2022)

AFFILIATES

Organisations that administer cricket in WA and are affiliated with the WACA:

- CricketWest (Inc.)
- Indoor Sports WA (Inc.)
- WA Country Cricket Board (Inc.)
- WA District Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Female Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Community Junior Cricket Council (Inc.)
- WA Veterans Cricket (Inc.)

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- WA Education Advisory Committee
- WA Aboriginal Cricket Advisory Committee

AUDITOR

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

CRICKET AUSTRALIA

Cricket Australia is the peak decision-making entity for cricket in Australia. The WACA receives funding from the activities of cricket in Australia as part of its role in Australian cricket.



WACA Board

as at 30 June 2022

Chair



Hon TK (Terrence)
Waldron

Deputy Chair



Ms ED (Eva) Skira AM

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Waldron



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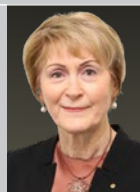
Board Appointed Directors



Mr DJ (David)
Bailey



Ms ED (Eva)
Skira AM



The Hon KG (Kerry)
Sanderson AC CVO

Company Secretary



Mr RI (Richard) Marshall

Honour Board

PRESIDENTS

1885-86 - 1898-99	JCH James	1917-18 - 1923-24	J Gardiner	1980-81 - 1989-90	BF Prindiville AO CMG
1899-1900	RH Kelsey	1924-25 - 1937-38	TP Draper	1990-91 - 1996-97	TJ Perrott AM Cit WA
1900-01	SH Parker	1938-39	SHD Rowe	1996-97 - 2003-04	PB Rakich AM
1901-02 - 1905-06	WJ Kingsmill	1939-40 - 1950-51	GW Miles	2004-05 - 2014-15	DK Lillee AM MBE
1906-07 - 1914-15	J Gardiner	1951-52 - 1962-63	LW Jackson KCMG	2014-15 - July 2018	Hon Dr KC Michael AC
1915-16 - 1916-17	WJ Farley	1963-64 - 1979-80	CR Bunning CBE		

CHAIRS OF WACA EXECUTIVE / BOARD

The Executive was so named from 1907. Prior to this a 'WACA Committee' was essentially the Executive, but in the period 1890 to 1907 the Trustees of the Association played the major role in ground management. The Chairman of the Executive was also Chairman of the International Committee from its inauguration in 1922 until February 1990. Mr LM Sawle became its first separate Chairman in 1990, with Mr PB Rakich continuing as Chairman of the Executive. From 2004 the Executive is referred to as the Board.

1885-99	G Parker	1906-11	K Bolton	1939-46	SHD Rowe	1997-2004	CAC Fear
1899-1902	RH Kelsey	1911-17	WJ Farley	1946-58	AC Randell	2004-13	DJ Williams
1902-03	EA Randell	1918-23	K Bolton	1958-80	FJ Bryant	2013-15	JB Gannon OAM
1903-04	FD North	1923-31	FA Barnard	1980-88	HWH Rigg	2015-16	Dr LJ Henderson
1904-05	K Bolton	1931-38	SHD Rowe	1988-89	LM Sawle	2016-19	Hon Dr KC Michael AC
1905-06	AG Russell	1938-39	AH Christian	1989-97	PB Rakich AM	2019	Hon TK Waldron

CHIEF EXECUTIVES / GENERAL MANAGERS

Until 1980, the Association Secretary was the highest ranked administrator of the WACA. That position deferred to the appointment of a General Manager which in turn was elevated to the title of Chief Executive in 1986.

1979-80 - 1985-86	WJ Rogers	1992 - 1997	CL Smith	2004 - 2007	AIC Dodemaide
1986 - 1989	TS Ivankovich	1998 - 2001	MN Allenby	2007 - 2012	GM Wood
1990 - 1992	DE Hoare	2001 - 2004	Mrs K White	2012	Ms C Matthews

SECRETARIES

1885-86 - 1886-87	G Fruin - Honorary	1906-07	L Gouly	1973-74	R Miller
1887-88 - 1888-89	A Woodbridge - Honorary	1907-08 - 1908-09	AWB Mather	1974-75 - 1979-80	B Bellon
1889-90	HH Sherlock - Honorary	1909-10 - 1916-17	J Rushton	1980-81 - 1996-97	KR Preston
1890-91 - 1895-96	FD North - Honorary	1917-18 - 1928-29	WJ Farley	1997-98 - 2013-14	G Havercroft
1896-97 - 1899-00	H Brown	1928-29 - 1947-48	CH Guy	2013-14 - 2016-17	Ms M Tannock
1900-01 - 1905-06	J Rushton	1948-49 - 1972-73	LE Truman	2016-17	RI Marshall

WACA HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

1893	Miss S (Sylvia) Forrest*	1982	Mr AR (Allan) Edwards* OAM	2002	Mr WM (Bill) Bryant*	2016	Mr WS (Wayne) Andrews
1905	Mr WJ (William) Farley*	1983	Mr LM (Laurie) Sawle AM*	2002	Mr WJ (Wally) Edwards	2017	Mrs O (Olive) Leslie*
1912	Mr J (John) Rushton*	1983	Mr W (Wally) Scott*	2004	Mr TM (Tom) Moody	2017	Ms J (Jenepher) Morison*
1917	Mr RG (Reg) Heath*	1985	Mr DK (Keith) Carmody*	2004	Mr MRJ (Michael) Veletta	2017	Ms P (Pauline) Drage*
1918	Hon J (James) Gardiner* MLA	1985	Mr CW (Charlie) Puckett*	2004	Mr B (Bruce) Yardley*	2017	Ms E (Elsie) Fairlie*
1930	Mr H (Henry) Gregory* MHR	1985	Mr CW (Wally) Langdon*	2005	Mr KL (Lyle) Jones	2017	Ms I (Isabel) James*
1937	Mr L (Leo) Ryan*	1985	Mr KD (Ken) Meuleman*	2007	Mr BP (Brendon) Julian	2017	Ms N (Norma) O'Connell*
1947	Mr F (Frank) Boan*	1985	Mr BK (Barry) Shepherd* OAM	2007	Mr L (Len) Pavy	2017	Ms M (Melva) Hamilton*
1948	Mr CH (Harry) Guy*	1985	Mr GD (Graham) McKenzie	2007	Mr TJ (Tim) Zoehrer	2017	Ms H (Heather) Asquith*
1951	Hon GW (George) Miles*	1985	Mr IJ (Ian) Brayshaw MBE	2008	Mr J (Jo) Angel	2017	Ms J (Jean) True*
1956	Mr RJ (Dick) Bryant* OAM	1985	Mr RJ (John) Inverarity MBE	2008	Mr CAC (Charles) Fear	2017	Mrs LP (Lyn) Hollingsworth
1956	Mr AC (Alf) Randell*	1985	Mr GAR (Tony) Lock*	2008	Ms C (Coralie) Towers	2017	Ms AM (Anne) Fuhrmann
1963	Sir C (Charles) Gairdner*	1985	Mr RW (Rod) Marsh MBE*	2009	Mr R (Ross) Edwards	2017	Ms CC (Clare) Papasergio
	KCMG, KCVO, KBE, CB	1985	Mr DK (Dennis) Lillee AM MBE	2009	Mr G (Geoff) Havercroft	2017	Ms LK (Leonie) Keenan
1972	Mr CR (Charles) Bunning* CBE	1985	Mr BF (Bernie) Prindiville*	2009	Mr AL (Tony) Mann*	2017	Mr MEK (Michael) Hussey
1972	Mr FJ (Frank) Bryant* OAM		AO, CMG	2009	Mr BM (Bruce) Laird	2017	Mr MW (Murray) Goodwin
1977	Hon Sir L (Lawrence) Jackson* KCMG	1988	Mr JC (Jock) Irvine	2010	Mr WM (Wayne) Clark	2017	Ms PK (Peta) Verco
1977	Mr MJ (Mornie) MacGill*	1989	Mr HG (Hugh) Bevan*	2010	Mr PJ (Peter) McConnell	2018	Ms P (Penny) Mace*
1977	Mr DC (Douglas) McKenzie*	1991	Mr PB (Brian) Rakich AM	2010	Mr BA (Bruce) Reid	2018	Ms A (Alice) Warren
1977	Mr JEV (Jack) Murdoch*	1993	Mr DH (Daryl) Foster OAM	2010	Mr WP (Bill) Reynolds	2018	Mr PC (Peter) Sillinger
1978	Mr AD (Bert) Drew*	1995	TJ (Tom) Perrott* AM Cit WA	2011	Mr CD (Chris) Matthews	2018	Mr SM (Simon) Katich
1978	Mr RC (Clair) Mattiske*	1996	Mr FD (Frank) O'Driscoll	2012	Mr AC (Adam) Gilchrist AM	2019	Mr JW (John) Rutherford*
1978	Mr HWH (Bert) Rigg*	1996	Mr NL (Neil) Ballard	2012	Mr JL (Justin) Langer AM	2019	Mr MJ (Marcus) North
1978	Mr HWH (Bert) Rigg*	1998	Mr GR (Geoff) Marsh	2013	Mr KN (Keith) Slater AM	2020	Mr D (David) Williams
1979	Mr RE (Bob) Ballantine*	1998	Mr KJ (Kim) Hughes	2014	Mr RJ (Ric) Evans	2020	Mr C (Colin) Minson*
1979	Mr EJ (Ted) Dowling*	1998	Mr GM (Graeme) Wood	2014	Ms ZJ (Zoë) Goss	2020	Ms J (Janice) Law-Davis
1979	Mr GH (Glen) Dunstan* OBE	1999	Mr TM (Terry) Alderman	2015	Mr DR (Damien) Martyn	2021	Mr K (Kevin) B Gartrell OAM
1980	Mr RW (Roy) Abbott* MBE	2001	Mr KH (Ken) Macleay	2015	Dr KR (Karen) Read	2021	Ms A (Angele) Gray
						2021	Ms J (Jennifer) Owens

* Denotes - Deceased



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Alana King with a fan



WACA Ground Improvement Project

WA Cricket has taken significant strides forward with the WACA Ground Improvement Project, as the venue becomes a community and sporting hub with cricket at its heart.

WA Cricket thanks the State and Federal governments and the City of Perth for their contribution and dedication to the WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP).

WAFL RETURNS

WA Cricket welcomed the return of Western Australian Football League games, which marked a major milestone in its vision for the WACA Ground to become a boutique multi-sport and community venue.

As part of the WGIP, the famous grass banks at the Ground were excavated to lengthen the oval and accommodate WAFL and other sports.

East Fremantle Football Club will use the iconic ground to play their home games over the 2022 and 2023 WAFL seasons.

The WACA Ground has a rich sporting history, with the WAFL an integral part, so this partnership is an incredible opportunity to create more great sporting moments for WA sports fans.

DEMOLITION OF INVERARITY STAND

The Inverarity Stand was demolished to make way for the much-anticipated new aquatic facility. The demolition took eight weeks to plan and one week to complete.

The name will be relocated to become part of a new pavilion, preserving a key part of Western Australian cricketing history.

This aquatic facility, including a six lane 50m pool, 25m indoor learn to swim pool and water leisure slides and activities, will help drive year-round use and create an even more iconic Ground.

LIGHT TOWERS UPGRADE

The iconic light towers have been upgraded with new LED coloured lights, in a massive operation that required the 17-metre-high steel headframes to be taken down and transported off site.

The new lights will have a multi-colour function that can be coordinated with the colours of Optus Stadium and the Matagarup Bridge for special events.

All headframes were dismantled into three sections, lowered to the ground, then transported to a specialist metal fabrication facility to strengthen and repaint the frames.

The new light luminaires and coloured unibars were installed in the headframes at ground level at the WACA Ground before being replaced the top of each tower.



The demolition of one light tower near Gate 2 is required to enable the construction of the High-Performance Centre.

DEMOLITION OF PRINDIVILLE STAND

The Prindiville Stand was demolished with the Ground's new all-abilities playground to be built on part of that site.

Named after Bernie Prindiville, past President of the Western Australian Cricket Association, the stand officially opened in November 1984 and became home to WA Cricket's administration offices.

The Prindiville name will be retained on the Nelson Crescent side of the new administration which will be named the Prindiville Building, preserving an important legacy.

The demolition took 15 weeks to complete, with tonnes of material including steel staircases, concrete seating, walls, wiring, and pipework removed from the 1500m² site, which is just larger than an Olympic swimming pool.

PICKET OF WA CRICKET HISTORY

As part of the WGIP, WA Cricket is installing brass plaques on the picket fence for every player that has represented WA. Each player will have their own picket, complete with a brass plaque detailing their debut year and cap number for each of the competitions they competed in.

As part of WA Cricket's fundraising for the WGIP, Members and the public can pledge their own picket or space on the picket of a WA past or present player. More than 115 pickets have already been pledged, immortalising donors' names alongside WA players.

CULTURAL NARRATIVE

WA Cricket is implementing a cultural narrative that infuses Aboriginal culture into the planning and design process of the WGIP in recognition of the traditional owners of the land on which the Ground resides.

Dr. Richard Walley OAM has created a detailed cultural narrative that will inform decisions on artistic and landscaping choices for the Project.

The Ground will link Aboriginal cricket history, telling WA Cricket's story through murals and local Aboriginal artwork as well as exhibitions in the new museum. Central to the Ground's new plaza will be a mandala that depicts the stories of the surrounding area and WA Cricket's place within that. The overall theme of the mandala artwork is past, present, and future; encompassing the land and people who have lived, played and used the land surrounding the WACA Ground.

WGIP FUNDING AND CONSTRUCTION

The WGIP is anticipated to create 120 jobs in the construction phase and 250 ongoing jobs when operational.

The WGIP is jointly funded by the Australian Government, Western Australian Government, City of Perth, WA Cricket and Cricket Australia.

The project is a key part of the \$1.7 billion Perth City Deal, a joint agreement between the three levels of government.



WA Cricket Foundation

The WA Cricket Foundation aims to enrich, support, and inspire communities by delivering social outcomes through cricket.



As a leading sports organisation, WA Cricket aspires to create better, healthier, and more inclusive communities through the work of its philanthropic arm, the WA Cricket Foundation. WA Cricket does this by working to empower and build connections amongst individuals, their families, and communities across the State.

Given the upheaval and uncertainty of the past year, the significant growth of the Foundation is a testament to the unwavering determination of its staff and donors.

Chief Executive Officer - WA Cricket Christina Matthews said; "The success of our programs is made possible by our team of passionate individuals, for which I am incredibly grateful...I am inspired daily by the collective fortitude to make a positive impact and drive social change through sport."

In the past twelve months, there is much to be proud of. More than \$450,000 was raised to support the Foundation's inclusion programs, including \$150,000 through Commission for a Cause in partnership with Euroz Hartleys. This generosity assisted in enabling 800 people with a disability to be involved in Foundation programs and has allowed Western Australia's top cricketers with a disability to compete at the Commonwealth Bank International Cricket Inclusion Series in Brisbane.

It also helped the Foundation establish the Kambarang Cricket Carnival, where young Aboriginal cricketers stood shoulder-to-shoulder with Women's Big Bash League stars in a barefoot circle on Whadjuk Country. In the same year,

recipients of the Foundation's Female Development and Scholarship Program Poppy Stockwell and Jacqueline Naidoo made their debut in the Women's National Cricket League, with Stockwell also contracted for the 2022-23 Season.

WA Cricket has committed to creating a community that champions respect, belonging and equal opportunity for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Western Australia as a key part of its Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP).

The RAP, which covers the period of May 2022 to May 2023, details more than 60 commitments and actions across the areas of relationships, respect and opportunities that support WA Cricket's purpose of connecting WA communities through cricket.

It has also been a transformative year for the WA Cricket Foundation Board, which welcomed two new members Nick Brasington and Heather Zampatti who both bring invaluable skills and knowledge. WA Cricket is grateful to the new and existing Board members Hon. Dr Bob Every AO, John Gardner, John Goodlad, Kate O'Hara, Dr Ken Michael AC, Meredith McClements, Michael Hussey, Nick Brasington and Hon. Terry (Tuck) Waldron, for their time and commitment.



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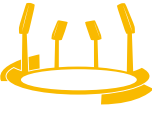


(L-R) Ryan Honschooten, Brad Brider, Michael Berg, Sean McGowan, Boyd Duffield, Matt Shenton and David Melling competed in the Commonwealth Bank International Inclusion Series



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2021-2022 SEASON IMPACT

 <p>Aboriginal Cricket</p> <p>1,000</p> <p>Connected Participants</p>	 <p>People with a Disability</p> <p>800</p> <p>Included Participants</p>
 <p>Young Women</p> <p>400</p> <p>Empowered Leaders</p>	 <p>Your WACA Ground</p> <p>\$115M</p> <p>Project</p>



The Recipe For Silverware

While WA Cricket enjoyed mountains of success during the most prosperous campaign of its storied history, winning the Marsh Sheffield Shield stood out like a beacon as the crowning achievement.

Veterans shed tears of happiness and celebrations kicked off in earnest when Victoria called time at lunch of day five of the WACA Ground Final, with victory out of reach. It was a triumph that meant so much to so many.

For 23 years, countless players, coaches and administrators were unable to find the formula that would take WA to the pinnacle of Australian red ball cricket.

They came close on several occasions, as recently as 2020-21, when injuries during the last round against Tasmania scuppered their chances of hosting the Final.

But there were still important gains to be made.

According to WA Cricket General Manager - High Performance Kade Harvey and Men's Head Coach Adam Voges, a raft of subtle changes gave the Black Swans an edge they had lacked in season's past.

Of these changes, three central factors stood out: improved leadership, embracing a growth mindset, and evolving the team's structure.

LEADERSHIP: MEET BRUCE WILLIS

It would be inaccurate to suggest WA lacked leaders prior to the season.

Harvey was, however, keen for more players to share the load, and eager to delve deeper into the finer points of leadership.

So, on the recommendation of WA Cricket CEO Christina Matthews, Harvey turned to leadership consultant Bruce Willis.

"He has a military background and does this leadership work with a military framework to it, and he'd consulted for WA Cricket in the past," Harvey said.

"Getting the senior players to take more ownership and raising our expectations surrounding leadership was a big piece of the puzzle, and that's how it played out.

"Shaun Marsh was great with his captaincy in the Sheffield Shield, Ashton Turner was brilliant in the white ball competitions, and loads of others stepped up around them."

Voges noticed a marked shift at training, which allowed the players to flourish at critical moments during games.

"We wanted our senior players to have a greater input into how our programs were run, and the day-to-day dealings of the team," he said.

"It was nice to see significant growth in that area from a few of our key senior guys. I don't think it was a coincidence that a lot of those guys stood up in key moments when the pressure was on, throughout the season."

GROWTH MINDSET: EMBRACING THE UNCONVENTIONAL

WA's squad is full of experienced campaigners with training and pre-game routines that have, in some cases, been fine-tuned over decades.

The coaching group, however, believed the players could be pushed further outside their comfort zones.

"The leadership mindset was a big focus last winter, but we'd laid the foundations the year prior by creating a stronger training environment," Harvey said.

"Batting coach Beau Casson, bowling coach Matt Mason, and Adam challenged the players to be better, which opened the eyes of the whole squad. Sam Whiteman made hundreds on the back of changing his game plan and technique a bit. The same can be said for Hilton Cartwright, Josh Philippe and a few others.

"We had a group that was passionate about winning the Shield, and we saw the fruits of that growth mentality under pressure."

Voges was encouraged by how willing the players were to experiment with new methods.

"That growth mindset was enormous," he said.

"The guys showed a real openness, individually and collectively, to try new things, be challenged in different ways that might not be conventional, and to find those marginal gains.

"We didn't necessarily lack that mentality in the past, but there was certainly a greater willingness to find new ways to grow. It was about that humility - understanding we don't know everything, that we're not the best at everything, and that we've got to keep evolving."

TEAM STRUCTURE: A MODIFIED FORMULA

The biggest shift within WA's squad was increased depth and selection pressure, created by the drastic improvement of youth.

"The likes of Lance Morris, Josh Philippe, Aaron Hardie, and Teague Wyllie all got opportunities, which meant really good players like Cameron Gannon and D'Arcy Short weren't getting a game, and Matt Kelly had to fight hard for his spot," Harvey said.

"Having that pressure from outside the starting side - along with the leadership and training focuses - helped guys like Sam Whiteman and Hilton Cartwright push to another level."

This blend of youth, experience and depth also allowed the selectors to focus more on specific needs.

"Lance Morris played every game. We knew we needed to add ball speed," Harvey said.

"We played a specialist spinner (Corey Rocchiccioli) towards the end at the WACA Ground, which we hadn't done in a while, and in the end he helped win it for us with the bat. Roc has developed nicely and done a lot of hard work in the last couple of years, so the selectors wanted to back him in regardless of conditions."

The evolution of Aaron Hardie as an allrounder of immense potential proved equally significant.

"It's the ability to have the pace-bowling all-round options that allowed us to have a balanced attack," Voges said.

"Aaron Hardie's development has been enormous, and was important given the limited availability of Cameron Green, Mitch Marsh and Marcus Stoinis. Having allrounders of that calibre probably allowed us to make the call on guys like Roc and Teague towards the end of the season, and youth always energises the squad.

"For Roc to develop the way he has is another piece of the puzzle. Him getting that opportunity and doing a decent job was encouraging."

REWARD FOR A STREAMLINED FOCUS

WA Cricket has made no secret of the fact its men's program is heavily weighted towards the Sheffield Shield.

Younger players are taught how to adapt their techniques and mindsets to red ball cricket. Even the contract list is structured to incentivise multi-format players.

But it was the small gains - coupled with noteworthy talent, relentless application and several years' groundwork - that took a united playing group past basecamp and to the summit.

With youth and depth in spades, achieving sustained success is now the next frontier.



A photograph of two Australian women's cricket players, Alana King and a teammate, celebrating their victory. They are both wearing bright yellow Australian cricket team jackets with 'AUST' and 'WINNER' visible. Alana King is on the left, holding a large silver trophy and a bottle. The teammate on the right is holding a smartphone up to take a selfie. Both are smiling broadly. The background is a blurred stadium setting.

The King's Coronation

It seems fittingly unorthodox that Alana King should rise to the pinnacle of Australian cricket shortly after making the WACA Ground her home; a surface famously hostile towards spin bowlers.

Fitting, of course, because King does things her way.

The flashy sunglasses. The self-proclaimed King's Corner, where she swipes the ball with instinctive flair. The infectious grin, reflecting a deep love for the game and her teammates. And, not least, the fact she's a leg-spinner inspired by Shane Warne, who famously shunned the conventional himself.

In the space of a summer, King solidified her place in the national Test, One Day International and T20 International teams. She thrived as the Aussies trounced England during the Ashes; and played a central role in Australia's World Cup triumph in New Zealand.

Months earlier, King starred during Perth Scorchers' title-winning Weber Women's Big Bash League campaign, collecting 16 wickets (equal-fourth in the competition) and conceding just 5.84 runs per over.

The 2021-22 season paints a detailed picture of an immensely talented 26-year-old with confidence in her abilities, driven by the fierce desire to beat the world's best.

King's coronation, however, was far from streamlined.

Two years ago, when competition within Victoria's star-studded setup was at its peak, King noticed her passion for the game she'd loved since childhood had waned.

"(Victoria captain) Meg Lanning was blessed to have six Australian bowlers in her side. I was still fortunate to be in the 11, but wasn't bowling as much as I would have liked," King said.

"I found I was doing a lot of bowling at training and not getting exposed to match-day situations a whole lot. That's what I love; getting into the contest and trying to get them out."

Grateful to Victoria, who signed her as a 17-year-old rookie, but hungry for more opportunities, King packed her bags and headed West.

Part of the move was inspired by WA's desire to recruit an attacking spinner, with Nicole Bolton and Emma King nearing the end of their decorated careers.

Alana King was equally eager to step outside her comfort zone.

"I know spinners aren't always successful at the WACA Ground, but for me it was more about getting into a new environment and challenging myself a bit," she said.

"WA Cricket has been huge, too. This organisation is a big family and I absolutely love being part of the bigger picture here.

"The whole move has revitalised me and helped me to love the game again."

WA Women's Head Coach Becky Grundy was one of the architects behind King's move to Perth, having noticed her talent from afar.

She believed King had potential in spades that would be unlocked with more opportunities, provided the pair struck an open dialogue.

"Kinging has had the tools for a number of years, and she's thriving with a greater role within the team," Grundy said.

"She's really bought into the fitness program and found her ability to push herself, knowing it would be a huge part of her game moving forward.

"She's also been quite open. We've had some honest conversations about her game and what she needs to do to get to the next level. That could be little technical things, or being prepared to fail in the process of changing pace and trying variations.

"Pleasingly, we can see the improvements at State level and with the Aussie side. She's changing pace and varying her lengths based on the situation rather than trying to bowl the magic ball too often."

Before long, King caught the attention of the national selectors by showcasing excellent control, a measured temperament and improved game awareness.

Eventually the phone rang, and King was informed she would be part of an Ashes campaign.

"It was a pretty incredibly moment, being told I'd been selected - I wasn't expecting it," King recalled.

"To be honest, I haven't stopped smiling since. It's been amazing."

The months that followed produced a catalogue of triumphs.

King made her T20I debut against England in Adelaide on 20 January; received Baggy Green No.181 from long-term mentor Kristen Beams a week later; celebrated comprehensive Ashes and World Cup wins; and proved her calibre on the global stage.

Australia Women's Interim Head Coach and Perth Scorchers WBBL Coach Shelley Nitschke had full faith in King's ability when she entered the international setup.

Nitschke's greater focus was to ensure King felt comfortable enough to express herself, as she did with WA and the Scorchers.

"She's got a bit of flair and spunk about her with the sunnies and her general character, and people love it," Nitschke said.

"When she joined the Aussie setup, I said 'be you mate, and don't be afraid to bring what you bring'."

The results speak for themselves.

To date, King has captured 26 wickets from 20 games (one Test, seven T20Is, 12 ODIs), often delivering in big moments.

"I actually think she has improved, not because of anything special we've done but because of the confidence she's taken from succeeding with Australia, and her thirst for knowledge," Nitschke said.

"She has unbelievable control for a leg-spinner. That impressed me the most, particularly when she came and joined the Aussie squad; her ability to attack and throw the ball up, and when required to shut the game down and dry up runs.

"Kinging is also a fearless competitor, who loves getting stuck in the contest. I'm excited to see what she can do for Australia and the Scorchers this year."

King, meanwhile, is loving every minute of the ride.

"It has been a whirlwind of emotions. I'm rubbing shoulders with people I grew up watching," she said.

"Even from afar when I wasn't part of the setup, I thought 'geez these are incredible athletes, it'd be fun to be part of that group' and it is. They all have fun on tour, have each other's backs, and are incredibly driven."

Pleasingly, for those clad in orange or black and yellow, King sees similarities between the Australian side, Perth's title winning WBBL outfit, and WA.

"Teams that get along off field are going to have more success than those that don't. The team at Perth and the whole setup in WA is very family orientated.

"We love playing together, love joking around on the ground and I'm glad people can see that."



Alana King celebrates a wicket with Scorchers team mates

WA Cricket Awards



Hilton Cartwright and Amy Edgar took out WA Cricket's top awards for the season, winning the Laurie Sawle and Zoë Goss Medals respectively.



It was Cartwright's second Laurie Sawle Medal after winning the prestigious award in 2016-17, while Edgar had never previously won the Zoë Goss Medal. Both players finished a record-breaking season for WA Cricket with multiple awards.

Cartwright's resurgence was crucial to WA winning the Marsh Sheffield Shield for the first time since 1998-99, as well as the Marsh One-Day Cup.

The hard-hitting right-hander was the team's second-highest Sheffield Shield run-scorer with 601 runs at 42.92, including two centuries and three half-centuries.

With the ball, Cartwright claimed seven wickets at 16.71 including the career-best figures of 4-23 against Tasmania.

Equally important was Cartwright's knack for standing up when WA were under pressure. His outrageous catch in the outfield to remove Moises Henriques effectively earned WA the One-Day Cup title.

Cartwright also compiled a powerful hundred on a tricky WACA Ground surface to help WA earn hosting rights for the Sheffield Shield Final against Victoria.

In addition to winning the Laurie Sawle Medal, Cartwright was named WA's Four-Day Player of the Year, and won the Excalibur Award for upholding the team's values of Trust, Commitment and Humility.

Edgar, meanwhile, claimed the Zoë Goss Medal following an outstanding Women's National Cricket League campaign this summer.

Long considered a player of immense promise, Edgar enjoyed a career-best campaign that saw her finish as WA's leading run-scorer (199 runs at 39.80) and second-highest wicket-taker (seven wickets at 29.85) in the WNCL.

She tallied her highest score - an unbeaten 85 against New South Wales that propelled WA to a competitive total - and claimed her best bowling figures of 4-35 against South Australia.

A powerful ball-striker with a sound technique, Edgar won WA's WNCL Player of the Year award alongside the Zoë Goss Medal, and featured during Perth Scorchers' triumphant Weber Women's Big Bash League campaign.

Scorchers captain Sophie Devine claimed the WBBL Player of the Year Award, finishing as the competition's third-highest run-scorer (442 runs at 34) while taking 10 wickets as Perth surged towards their maiden WBBL title.

Ashton Agar was just as influential during the Scorchers' triumphant 2021-22 KFC Big Bash League season, winning the Simon Katich Medal for his contributions with the ball (18 wickets at 21.88), the bat (133 runs at 22.16, strike rate 149.43) and in the field.

Andrew Tye, the One-Day Cup's leading wicket-taker with 15 scalps at 19, was recognised as WA's Domestic One-Day Player of the Year.

And it proved a big year for the Wyllie family, with siblings Georgia and Teague taking home three awards between them.



Hilton Cartwright



Amy Edgar

Left-arm seamer Georgia Wyllie won the Female Rising Star Award after stepping seamlessly into WA's set-up, and earned the Legacy Award for embracing the team's values of One Team, Respect and Pride, Be Brave, and Own It.

Teague Wyllie, who starred during the ICC Under-19 World Cup and won a Sheffield Shield title in just his second First Class game, was named WA's Male Rising Star.

Mitch Marsh claimed the media-voted Gold Cup Award as WA's best international player after the enormous role he played in Australia's first ICC Men's T20 World Cup victory.

Cricket legends Zoë Goss and Daryl Foster OAM were formally inducted into the WA Cricket Gallery Of Greats, acknowledged for their incredible and unique contributions to cricket in the State.

WA Cricket also paid tribute to Nicole Bolton, who called time on a brilliant career that spanned 15 years with WA. Bolton, who won five Zoë Goss Medals, remains WA's all-time leading WNCL run-scorer (2758 runs at 35.36) and scored 2,455 runs in T20s for WA and Perth Scorchers.

AWARD WINNERS

Laurie Sawle Medal

1. Hilton Cartwright
2. Jhye Richardson
3. Cam Bancroft

Zoë Goss Medal

1. Amy Edgar
2. Sophie Devine
3. Beth Mooney

Gold Cup

Mitch Marsh

Simon Katich Medal

Ashton Agar

WA Domestic One-Day

Player of The Year

Andrew Tye

WA Domestic Four-Day

Player of the Year

Hilton Cartwright

WA WNCL

Player of the Year

Amy Edgar

Perth Scorchers WBB

Player of the Year

Sophie Devine

Male Rising Star

Teague Wyllie

Female Rising Star

Georgia Wyllie

Excalibur Award

Hilton Cartwright

Legacy Award

Georgia Wyllie

Gallery of Greats Inductees

Zoë Goss

Daryl Foster OAM

United For Success

Aaron Hardie

2021-22 WA Australian Representatives

BATTING		Mat	Inns	Runs	HS	Avg	SR	100	50
ASHTON AGAR	T20	14	11	101	27	10.10	86.32	-	-
	ODI	2	2	22	19*	22.00	50	-	-
JASON BEHRENDORFF	T20	2	1	5	5	5.00	71.42	-	-
	ODI	1	1	2	2	2.00	25	-	-
CAMERON GREEN	T20	1	1	2	2	2.00	28.57	-	-
	ODI	6	6	132	40*	56.00	87.42	-	-
	TEST	10	14	487	79	37.46	53.87	-	4
JOSH INGLIS	T20	7	7	179	48	29.83	144.35	-	-
	ODI	1	1	5	5	5.00	50	-	-
MITCH MARSH	T20	18	16	571	77*	40.79	131.26	-	6
	ODI	6	6	117	29	19.50	73.13	-	-
JOSH PHILIPPE	T20	5	5	33	13	6.60	84.61	-	-
	ODI	3	3	65	39	21.66	73.03	-	-
JHYE RICHARDSON	T20	4	1	9	9*	-	45.00	-	-
	ODI	2	1	1	1*	-	33.33	-	-
	TEST	1	2	17	9	8.50	242.85	-	-
MARCUS STOINIS	T20	16	12	236	40*	33.71	153.25	-	-
	ODI	4	4	138	49	34.50	110.40	-	-
ASHTON TURNER	T20	7	6	51	24	10.20	70.83	-	-
	ODI	3	2	50	49	25.00	102.04	-	-
ANDREW TYE	T20	4	4	22	15	11.00	104.76	-	-
BOWLING		Mat	Inns	Wkts	Ave	Eco	BB	5Ws	
ASHTON AGAR	T20	14	14	9	33.89	5.68	1-14	-	
	ODI	2	2	4	20.00	4.00	2-31	-	
JASON BEHRENDORFF	T20	2	2	-	-	11.66	-	-	
	ODI	1	1	-	-	5.66	-	-	
CAMERON GREEN	T20	1	1	2	8.00	5.33	2-16	-	
	ODI	6	6	1	142.00	5.92	1-13	-	
	TEST	10	17	16	24.75	2.24	3-21	-	
JOSH INGLIS	T20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	ODI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
MITCH MARSH	T20	18	12	8	21.88	7.61	3-24	-	
	ODI	6	4	3	19.33	4.14	2-29	-	
JOSH PHILIPPE	T20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	ODI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
JHYE RICHARDSON	T20	4	4	6	21.67	8.13	3-26	-	
	ODI	2	2	3	34.33	6.05	2-39	-	
	TEST	1	2	5	24.00	3.14	5-42	1	
MARCUS STOINIS	T20	16	5	3	32.66	7.54	2-8	-	
	ODI	4	3	1	35.00	5.00	1-23	-	
ASHTON TURNER	T20	7	3	1	40.00	5.71	1-16	-	
	ODI	3	2	2	30.00	4.28	1-23	-	
ANDREW TYE	T20	4	4	8	13.00	7.42	3-18	-	

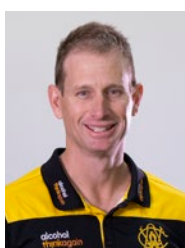
*Statistics for period 1 July 2021 - 30 June 2022



Shaun Marsh and Adam Voges with the 2021-22 Marsh Sheffield Shield



The 2021-22 domestic season was stacked with challenges brought about by COVID-19, meaning significant planning and mental fortitude was required to achieve success.



For us to meet those challenges head on, win a record-breaking 15th Marsh One-Day Cup tournament, and secure the State's first Marsh Sheffield Shield title in 23 years, is testament to the incredible dedication and resilience of our whole organisation.

It became clear quite early that the campaign would again be disrupted by COVID-19, limiting the amount of cricket in WA.

But after a strong preseason, the players were incredibly motivated to hit the ground running.

They did so with a One-Day Cup win against South Australia in Adelaide, before drawing with the Redbacks in the Shield match that followed a few days later.

Our 50-over form was steady leading into the KFC Big Bash League break, with comfortable wins against South Australia (twice) and Queensland in the bank.

Tasmania, however, beat us twice - at the WACA Ground, and in Hobart. The Tigers also came out on top in both Shield games, and held the wood over us last year. There is clearly an opportunity to turn the tables in 2022-23.

Despite these results, I was encouraged by our willingness to chase victories despite the risk of losing. Sam Whiteman,

captaining his first Shield game while Shaun Marsh was unavailable, showed a lot of courage and tactical nous in Hobart, and the players weren't content settling for a draw.

This bold mentality is something we have promoted as coaches, and helped us secure a healthy amount of first innings bonus points throughout the season. Given our record at the KFC Big Bash League break - two losses, a draw, and two wins (South Australia at home and Queensland at the Gabba) - these points were crucial.

The MBBL was an incredibly taxing tournament for all involved, which made refreshing ahead of the second phase of the domestic season a priority.

Thankfully, our time in quarantine after returning from the Eastern States was halved from two weeks to one as border restrictions eased. It might not seem like much, but that change boosted morale enormously.

By the time we left for another two-week block in Melbourne and Sydney, the squad was raring to go.

We qualified for the One-Day Cup Final by beating Victoria at Junction Oval in our last regular season game, before taking on New South Wales - who beat us in last year's 50-over Final - at the same venue three days later.

In truth, I felt we were fighting to keep pace with NSW for most of the contest.

Jhye Richardson (44), Matt Kelly (27 not-out) and Jason Behrendorff (24 not-out) were critical to us posting 9-225. The bowlers, led by Player of the Match Andrew Tye (4-30), started well and remained disciplined.

But with a modest score on the board, we needed something special to get us over the line. Hilton Cartwright's outstanding catch to remove Moises Henriques provided that spark. It was easily one of the best catches I've seen live and franked all the hard work he puts into his fielding.

We want to be known as a team that fights when the chips are down, so winning the One-Day Cup the way we did inspired great belief. It also provided us with plenty of energy for the remainder of the Shield season.

A draw with NSW in Blacktown and a big win over Victoria at the WACA Ground granted us the right to host the Shield Final on home soil against the Vics.

It was pleasing to see how much our Members, fans, and the broader cricket community embraced the occasion, with strong crowds throughout the match.

The match itself was a contest of big moments, and we nailed most of them.

Cameron Bancroft (141) and Player of the Match Sam Whiteman (85) started beautifully after being asked to bat. Listed at number 10, Corey Rocchiccioli (50) hit his first half-century just as the team needed a boost. Joel Paris took two critical wickets when Victoria were chasing first innings bonus points to swing momentum back in our favour. Whiteman backed up his productive first innings with a remarkably gritty 123, holding firm as wickets fell around him.

And Aaron Hardie (174 not-out) picked up where Whiteman left off, showcasing all his talent with a special hundred.

There was a lot of emotion when it became clear we'd broken the drought, just before lunch on day five. Winning the Shield has been our priority for a long time. To share that moment with the coaches, players, families, partners, Members, supporters and WA Cricket staff is something I will cherish forever.

I am also incredibly grateful for our loyal commercial partners, Members and supporters who showed unwavering support every step of the way, despite there being minimal cricket in WA.

Hilton Cartwright was a model of consistency and vital under pressure, taking out the Laurie Sawle Medal and the Four-Day Player of the Year Award. Andrew Tye claimed the One-Day Player of the Year Award, proving again how valuable he is to our set up.

There were numerous other players deserving of these accolades, with our success this year built on contributions from the entire squad.

Those behind the scenes - our assistant coaches, and support staff - deserve an enormous amount of credit, as well.

Factoring the challenges we faced - broadly, because of the pandemic, and within games - it will be hard to top the 2021-22 season.

However, I have no doubt the team will work as hard as ever to reach the same heights in 2022-23. Sustained success remains the ultimate goal.

Adam Voges OAM



WA celebrates winning the Marsh Sheffield Shield

MARSH SHEFFIELD SHIELD RESULTS

SA v WA - Western Australia 9-465 & 6-292 DRAW South Australia 492. Match Drawn. Cartwright 121*, S Marsh 118, Green 106, Paris 3-73, Morris 3-91

WA v TAS - Western Australia 238 & 239 DEF BY Tasmania 252 & 7-217. Tasmania win by three wickets. Philippe 60, S Marsh 58, Richardson 50, Cartwright 4-23

WA v SA - Western Australia 299 & 4-121 DEF South Australia 128 & 291. Western Australia win by six wickets. Cartwright 73, Green 61 & 38*, Paris 5-63, Richardson 3-22, Morris 3-25

QLD v WA - Western Australia 281 & 3-95 DEF Queensland 129 & 246. Western Australia win by seven wickets. Philippe 129, Green 53, Bancroft 47*, Richardson 5-23, Morris 4-21

TAS v WA - Western Australia 9d-405 & 7d-226 DEF BY Tasmania 317 & 6-318. Tasmania win by four wickets. Whiteman 176*, Short 67, Green 54, Philippe 53, Richardson 4-53 & 3-56

NSW v WA - Western Australia 6d-356 & 4d-75 DRAW New South Wales 208. Match Drawn. Bancroft 117, Cartwright 81, S Marsh 58, Kelly 3-27, Paris 3-42

WA v VIC - Western Australia 337 DEF Victoria 114 & 172. Western Australia win by an innings and 51 runs. Cartwright 109, Whiteman 63, Hardie 4-24 & 2-46, Paris 3-31 & 2-27, Morris 4-55

Final: WA v VIC - Western Australia 386 & 7d-400 DRAW Victoria 306. Match Drawn - WA win Sheffield Shield title via first innings points. Hardie 174* & 3-54, Bancroft 141, Whiteman 123 & 85, Rocchiccioli 50 & 2-24, Paris 3-95.

MARSH ONE-DAY CUP RESULTS

SA v WA - Western Australia 6-352 (50.0) DEF South Australia 237 (38.3). Western Australia win by 78 runs (D/L method). Philippe 137, M Marsh 111, Behrendorff 4-39

WA v TAS - Western Australia 218 (47.1) DEF BY Tasmania 6-221 (43.5). Tasmania win by four wickets. Turner 100, Tye 44, Tye 4-39

WA v SA - Western Australia 4-167 (25.4) DEF South Australia 6-193 (35.0). Western Australia win by six wickets (D/L method). S Marsh 80*, Kelly 2-37

QLD v WA - Western Australia 3-361 (50.0) DEF Queensland 291 (48.5). Western Australia win by 70 runs. Bancroft 124*, Turner 71*, Green 70, Tye 3-46, Short 3-56

TAS v WA - Western Australia 9-294 (50.0) DEF BY Tasmania 5-298 (48.3). Tasmania win by five wickets. Whiteman 79, Cartwright 50, Guthrie 2-46

VIC v WA - Western Australia 4-145 (27.1) DEF Victoria 143 (39.4). Western Australia win by six wickets. Short 54, Hardie 3-28, Richardson 2-12, Behrendorff 2-27

Final: WA v NSW - Western Australia 9-225 (50.0) DEF New South Wales 207 (46.3). Western Australia win by 18 runs. Richardson 44, Tye 4-30, Hardie 3-41



WA captain Shaun Marsh addressing the group in the jacket worn by former WA fast bowler Ray Strauss



MARSH SHEFFIELD SHIELD STATISTICS

TEAM	M	W	L	T	D	N/R	PTS
Western Australia	7	3	2	-	2	-	32.82
Victoria	7	3	1	-	3	-	30.17
Tasmania	8	3	3	-	2	-	31.09
New South Wales	7	2	3	-	2	-	21.5
Queensland	9	2	3	-	4	-	27.23
South Australia	8	1	2	-	5	-	21.66

BATTING

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
SM Whiteman	7	13	2	641	176*	58.27	1402	45.72	2	2	1	74	1
HWR Cartwright	8	15	1	601	121*	42.92	1200	50.08	2	3	3	70	11
CT Bancroft	8	15	1	502	141	35.85	1167	43.01	2	-	2	49	1
JR Philippe	8	15	2	481	129	37	950	50.63	1	3	-	55	6
SE Marsh	7	12	1	383	118	34.81	841	45.54	1	2	-	49	2
C Green	5	10	1	364	106	40.44	678	53.68	1	3	-	42	5
AM Hardie	3	5	3	238	174*	119	473	50.31	1	-	-	33	1
JA Richardson	4	6	1	185	50	37	232	79.74	-	1	-	31	-
DJM Short	5	7	-	169	67	24.14	346	48.84	-	1	-	23	1
JS Paris	7	10	2	157	30	19.62	373	42.09	-	-	-	17	3
M Kelly	6	8	3	93	41	18.6	220	42.27	-	-	1	12	1
T Wyllie	2	3	-	69	42	23	287	36.89	-	-	-	9	-
CJ Rocchiccioli	4	3	2	51	50	51	37	137.83	-	1	-	4	2
J Goodwin	2	4	-	42	22	10.5	141	29.78	-	-	-	7	-
JP Inglis	1	2	-	41	28	20.5	47	87.23	-	-	-	3	1
LR Morris	8	7	3	33	14*	8.25	78	42.3	-	-	3	4	-
CJ Gannon	3	3	1	9	8	4.5	15	60	-	-	1	1	-

BOWLING

Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	BBM	Ave	Econ	SR	5	10	Ct	St
JS Paris	7	10	185.5	59	497	24	5-63	6-95	20.7	2.67	46.4	1	-	2	-
JA Richardson	4	8	129.2	46	309	23	5-23	8-61	13.43	2.38	33.7	1	-	-	-
LR Morris	8	12	139.2	23	541	20	4-21	5-86	27.05	3.88	41.8	-	-	2	-
AM Hardie	3	4	60	14	141	10	4-24	6-70	14.1	2.35	36	-	-	1	-
M Kelly	6	9	151	43	424	10	3-27	3-27	42.4	2.8	90.6	-	-	2	-
CJ Gannon	3	6	106.4	29	328	8	3-87	4-165	41	3.07	80	-	-	2	-
HWR Cartwright	8	7	33	6	117	7	4-23	4-34	16.71	3.54	28.2	-	-	2	-
DJM Short	5	7	57.4	3	229	6	2-37	2-37	38.16	3.97	57.6	-	-	6	-
C Green	5	9	89	19	292	6	1-12	2-66	48.66	3.28	89	-	-	4	-
CJ Rocchiccioli	4	4	73.2	7	234	5	2-24	2-24	46.8	3.19	88	-	-	2	-
CT Bancroft	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-
J Goodwin	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
JP Inglis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
SE Marsh	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
JR Philippe	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	-
SM Whiteman	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
T Wyllie	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-



MARSH ONE-DAY CUP STATISTICS

TEAM	M	W	L	T	D	N/R	PTS
Western Australia	6	4	2	-	-	-	18
New South Wales	6	2	-	-	-	4	17
Tasmania	6	3	1	-	-	2	17
Queensland	6	3	3	-	-	-	14
South Australia	6	1	4	-	-	1	6
Victoria	6	1	4	-	-	1	6

BATTING

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	-	4s	6s
JR Philippe	7	7	-	265	137	37.85	268	98.88	1	-	1	28	9
AJ Turner	7	7	1	242	100	40.33	241	100.41	1	1	2	27	4
CT Bancroft	4	4	2	219	124*	109.5	229	95.63	1	-	-	20	1
SE Marsh	5	5	1	156	80*	39	192	81.25	-	1	-	23	1
DJM Short	7	6	1	118	54	23.6	103	114.56	-	1	-	16	1
MR Marsh	1	1	-	111	111	111	124	89.51	1	-	-	14	3
C Green	5	5	1	103	70	25.75	95	108.42	-	1	-	7	6
SM Whiteman	3	3	-	89	79	29.66	98	90.81	-	1	-	7	2
HWR Cartwright	6	4	1	88	50	29.33	83	106.02	-	1	-	11	1
AJ Tye	7	3	-	86	44	28.66	80	107.5	-	-	-	9	2
JP Behrendorff	5	2	1	47	24*	47	60	78.33	-	-	-	1	3
JA Richardson	2	1	-	44	44	44	64	68.75	-	-	-	2	-
NR Hobson	1	1	-	33	33	33	50	66	-	-	-	4	-
M Kelly	7	3	1	30	27*	15	46	65.21	-	-	1	3	-
AM Hardie	2	1	-	27	27	27	47	57.44	-	-	-	-	-
AC Agar	1	1	1	11	11*	-	8	135.7	-	-	-	-	1
L Guthrie	4	2	2	5	3*	-	11	45.45	-	-	-	-	-
JP Inglis	1	1	-	3	3	3	6	50	-	-	-	-	-
DJM Moody	1	1	1	-	0*	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
LR Morris	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING

Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
AJ Tye	7	7	58.3	3	285	15	4-30	19	4.87	23.4	2	-	-	-
JP Behrendorff	5	5	44.3	2	218	8	4-39	27.25	4.89	33.3	1	-	-	-
M Kelly	7	7	47.2	2	256	8	2-37	32	5.4	35.5	-	-	5	-
AM Hardie	2	2	15.4	1	69	6	3-28	11.5	4.4	15.6	-	-	1	-
DJM Short	7	5	35.1	1	212	5	3-56	42.4	6.02	42.2	-	-	3	-
L Guthrie	4	4	26	-	161	4	2-46	40.25	6.19	39	-	-	-	-
JA Richardson	2	2	14.4	2	25	3	2-12	8.33	1.7	29.3	-	-	1	-
C Green	5	4	23	-	125	3	1/21	41.66	5.43	46	-	-	4	-
AC Agar	1	1	9	1	47	2	2-47	23.5	5.22	27	-	-	1	-
LR Morris	1	1	8	-	36	1	1-36	36	4.5	48	-	-	-	-
MR Marsh	1	1	6	-	41	1	1-41	41	6.83	36	-	-	1	-
AJ Turner	7	1	3	-	29	-	-	-	9.66	-	-	-	4	-
DJM Moody	1	1	10	-	49	-	-	-	4.9	-	-	-	-	-
CT Bancroft	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
HWR Cartwright	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
NR Hobson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
JP Inglis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
SE Marsh	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
JR Philippe	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	1
SM Whiteman	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Andrew Tye celebrates a wicket



Perth Scorchers

The 2021-22 KFC Big Bash League campaign was one of the most challenging tournaments I have been involved in as a player or coach, which made winning it that little bit sweeter.



We knew the MBBL would be again disrupted by COVID-19 and anticipated spending long periods, if not the whole tournament, interstate while living under League-wide protocols.

There was also the distinct possibility we would only play one game at Optus Stadium in front of our passionate home supporters, which ended up being the case.

Despite these hurdles, our entire touring party - players, support staff, partners and families - embraced the challenge and banded together. I firmly believe this sense of community helped us cope with the restrictions better than most, which proved pivotal as the competition wore on.

Our first challenge involved integrating Kurtis Patterson (based in NSW), Colin Munro (New Zealand) and Laurie Evans (England) into the squad, just a few hours before the season-opening clash with Brisbane Heat at Optus Stadium.

Border restrictions meant they were unable to train in WA, so the warm-up was effectively the extent of our pre-season together. It was also the first time I had met Laurie in person.

Bizarre doesn't begin to describe the next match against Adelaide Strikers at Sydney Showgrounds Stadium. There was no crowd, no local team, and play didn't finish until well after midnight.

Munro's hundred was bizarre, as well. When I spoke to him halfway through the innings, he was on 31 from 36 and joked about deliberately kicking his stumps over for the team's benefit. Ten overs later, he walked from the field unbeaten on 114 not-out - the highest individual score in Scorchers history. It was an incredible knock.

Mitch Marsh and Josh Inglis joined us at Blundstone Arena in Hobart, while English import Tymal Mills was also on deck for his first game with Perth.

Consecutive wins against the Hurricanes - the first inspired by a brilliant Marsh hundred - were followed by back-to-back triumphs over Melbourne Renegades at Marvel Stadium, pushing our win-loss record to 6-0.

Canberra's Manuka Oval hasn't been a happy hunting ground for us in recent years, and that trend continued when Sydney Thunder ended our winning streak. The Thunder got us again on the Gold Coast a week-and-a-half later, reinforcing that we had plenty of work to do.

In between times, we enjoyed our best win of the tournament against Sydney Sixers at Metricon Stadium.

The League called around midday during a top-up training session and asked if we'd be available to play that night in place of Brisbane, who were ravaged by COVID.

Preparing at short notice is never ideal, especially after travelling on a two-day break, but the players gritted their teeth and got to work.

The match itself was a thriller, too. We looked down and out before Ashton Agar and Aaron Hardie began to find the boundary late in the first innings. Dan Christian then threatened to win the game off his own bat, only to be dismissed by Andrew Tye in the 19th over, which effectively got us over the line.

At the time, we were dealing with a few COVID scares of our own. Mitch Marsh and Josh Inglis had been called into the Australian Test squad, and Tymal Mills would fly for England's tour of the West Indies a few days later. Factoring everything, the result did wonders for our belief and morale.

We won three of our last four regular season games to finish on top of the ladder, and outpointed the Sixers in the Qualifier at our adopted home ground of Marvel Stadium.

There were a few more COVID concerns the week of the final, and Mitch - who returned with Ingo for our last regular season game - was racing the clock to recover from a hamstring injury sustained in the Qualifier.

Although we largely dodged those concerns, the Final didn't pan out as planned.

It's hard to describe how tense the dugout was when we fell to 4-25 at the end of the sixth over. Thankfully, Laurie Evans (76 not-out, named Player of the Match) and Ashton Turner (54) stepped up with one of the best partnerships the MBBL has ever seen.

Leading into the game, I asked Laurie Evans whether he'd played in a Final. He responded: "Yep, four ... And I've been Best on Ground in three." Turner, meanwhile, was in excellent form, having captained superbly throughout the tournament. The way they approached their 104-run stand - calm, calculated and bold - perfectly encapsulated how we wanted to play our cricket.

I had no doubt we'd win after scoring 6-171. The bowlers offered the Sixers very little, and we fielded with energy.

In fact, every member of the squad and support staff played an enormous role getting the team in a position to thrive.

Lifting the trophy and celebrating with the players, staff, families and partners was an amazing experience. It made all the challenges and sacrifices of the previous 50 days entirely worthwhile.

Agar was consistently damaging with the ball, exceptional in the field, and took enormous strides forward as a lower-middle-order finisher to win the Simon Katich Medal. Pleasingly, so many others would have also been worthy of the award.

My only regret is that we couldn't share the Final with our Perth-based Members, fans and commercial partners. Your support during the hard times, knowing there would be minimal cricket in WA, was incredible.

Similarly, there were scores of people at WA Cricket who worked countless hours behind the scenes to make our campaign possible. Thank you for your tireless efforts.

No doubt, winning the tournament in Perth will be a significant theme of our campaign in 2022-23, when Optus Stadium is lit up in orange again.

Adam Voges OAM



KFC BIG BASH LEAGUE RESULTS

Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Perth Scorchers 6-157 (20.0) DEF Brisbane Heat 151 (19.5). Scorchers win by six runs. Patterson 55, Evans 33*, Kelly 4-28

Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers

Perth Scorchers 1-195 (20.0) DEF Adelaide Strikers 146 (17.5). Scorchers win by 49 runs. Munro 114*, Bancroft 45, Tye 3-21, Behrendorff 3-22

Hobart Hurricanes v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 5-182 (20.0) DEF Hobart Hurricanes 129 (19.0). Scorchers win by 53 runs. Marsh 100*, Evans 40, Mills 3-23

Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes

Perth Scorchers 7-167 (20.0) DEF Hobart Hurricanes 9-125 (20.0). Scorchers win by 42 runs. Patterson 78, Agar 30* & 2-31, Tye 3-19

Melbourne Renegades v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 5-206 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Renegades 5-185 (20.0). Scorchers win by 21 runs. Marsh 86, Evans 42*, Agar 2-23

Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades

Perth Scorchers 2-152 (16.5) DEF Melbourne Renegades 8-151 (20). Scorchers win eight wickets. Munro 58*, Marsh 42*, Behrendorff 2-19

Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-166 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Thunder 7-200 (20.0). Thunder win by 34 runs. Munro 64*, Tye 44, Kelly 3-30

Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 8-180 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Stars 130 (18.5). Scorchers win by 50 runs. Patterson 54, Munro 40, Mills 3-28, Tye 2-11

Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers 8-143 (20.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 8-133 (20.0). Scorchers win by 10 runs. Hardie 45, Agar 29, Tye 3-17, Mills 3-29, Morris 2-25

Perth Scorchers v Sydney Thunder

Perth Scorchers 9-133 (18.0) DEF BY Sydney Thunder 4-137 (17.0). Thunder win by six wickets (D/L method). Bancroft 30, Agar 22, Tye 2-38

Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 5-152 (19.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 4/151 (20.0). Scorchers win by five wickets. Turner 69, Hardie 35, Agar 2-23

Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars

Perth Scorchers 3-196 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Stars 9-149 (20.0). Scorchers win by 47 runs. Evans 69, Turner 47*, Hobson 46, Kelly 4-25

Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 9-127 (20.0) DEF BY Adelaide Strikers 4-130 (17.0). Strikers win by six wickets. Evans 39, Hardie 3-31

Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 4-156 (18.4) DEF Brisbane Heat 7-155 (20.0). Scorchers win by six wickets. Marsh 59, Hatzoglou 2-17, Behrendorff 2-25

The Qualifier | Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers 3-189 (20.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 141 (19.1). Scorchers win by 48 runs. Inglis 79, Patterson 64, Agar 2-16, Richardson 2-21

The Final | Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers 6-171 (20.0) DEF Sydney Sixers 92 (16.2). Scorchers win by 79 runs. Evans 76*, Turner 54, Tye 3-15, Richardson 2-20



Team celebrate a wicket



KFC BIG BASH LEAGUE STATISTICS

TEAM	M	W	L	T	N/R	PTS
Perth Scorchers	14	9	5	-	-	40
Sydney Sixers	14	8	5	-	1	35
Sydney Thunder	14	8	6	-	-	35
Adelaide Strikers	14	7	7	-	-	28
Hobart Hurricanes	14	7	7	-	-	27
Melbourne Stars	14	7	7	-	-	26
Brisbane Heat	14	5	8	-	1	16
Melbourne Renegades	14	4	10	-	-	16

BATTING

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6s
KR Patterson	14	13	-	391	78	30.07	275	142.18	-	4	-	31	18
C Munro	13	13	4	390	114*	43.33	306	127.45	1	2	1	24	16
LJ Evans	15	12	3	361	76*	40.11	250	144.4	-	2	1	24	14
AJ Turner	16	15	4	357	69	32.45	232	153.87	-	2	-	23	16
MR Marsh	8	8	2	347	100*	57.83	243	142.79	1	2	-	26	15
CT Bancroft	8	8	-	163	45	20.37	153	106.53	-	-	-	17	2
JP Inglis	8	8	-	137	79	17.12	107	128.03	-	1	2	14	3
AC Agar	15	10	4	133	30*	22.16	89	149.43	-	-	-	10	8
AM Hardie	9	8	2	115	45	19.16	84	136.9	-	-	1	4	6
AJ Tye	16	7	2	55	44	11	42	130.95	-	-	2	4	3
NR Hobson	2	2	-	50	46	25	45	111.11	-	-	-	6	-
P Hatzoglou	15	2	2	12	12*	-	13	92.3	-	-	-	-	-
CJM Sabburg	3	2	1	10	7*	10	10	100	-	-	-	1	-
DJM Moody	1	1	-	8	8	8	15	53.33	-	-	-	-	-
JP Behrendorff	13	3	1	5	3	2.5	8	62.5	-	-	1	-	-
M Kelly	6	2	-	2	1	1	4	50	-	-	-	-	-
TS Mills	7	1	1	1	1*	-	1	100	-	-	-	-	-
JA Richardson	2	1	1	1	1*	-	2	50	-	-	-	-	-
LR Morris	6	1	1	-	0*	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING

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AJ Tye	16	16	52.3	-	424	25	3-15	16.96	8.07	12.6	-	-	4	-
AC Agar	15	15	58	-	394	18	2-16	21.88	6.79	19.3	-	-	4	-
JP Behrendorff	13	13	41.4	-	305	16	3-22	19.06	7.32	15.6	-	-	6	-
P Hatzoglou	15	15	52.1	-	379	15	2-17	25.26	7.26	20.8	-	-	2	-
M Kelly	6	6	23	-	179	14	4-25	12.78	7.78	9.8	2	-	2	-
TS Mills	7	7	25.5	-	190	12	3-23	15.83	7.35	12.9	-	-	1	-
MR Marsh	8	5	15	-	127	5	2-50	25.4	8.46	18	-	-	5	-
JA Richardson	2	2	7.2	-	41	4	2-20	10.25	5.59	11	-	-	-	-
AM Hardie	9	3	6	-	40	3	3-31	13.33	6.66	12	-	-	4	-
AJ Turner	16	6	7	-	54	2	1-6	27	7.71	21	-	-	4	-
LR Morris	6	6	15.3	-	125	2	2-25	62.5	8.06	46.5	-	-	2	-
DJM Moody	1	1	1	-	9	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-
CT Bancroft	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
LJ Evans	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
NR Hobson	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
JP Inglis	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	4
C Munro	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
KR Patterson	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-
CM Sabburg	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Ashton Turner



Mathilda Carmichael



COVID-19 posed its challenges and results didn't fall our way on field, but the resilience we showed throughout the 2021-22 Women's National Cricket League season was exceptional.



As was the case last year, regular postponements and long training blocks became themes of a campaign that would typically have started in September and spanned the summer.

Instead, our eight games were played in the Eastern States and condensed into a three-week block between 27 February and 20 March.

Despite an exceptionally long preseason and scheduling uncertainty, we were determined to enter the tournament fresh.

The youth of our squad - which included six possible debutants, several WA Cricket Academy graduates, and plenty more young prospects - provided the whole group with a spark.

Our team is quite close and made up of quality people, so spending time together in a biosecurity bubble wasn't a concern.

I was more interested to see how our less experienced players could replicate their form at training on game day - which can be trickier than it sounds.

Early doors, there were positive signs.

During our first game against South Australia in Adelaide, Maddy Darke - who we recruited from New South Wales - made 49 on WA debut.

Another first-gamer, Georgia Wyllie, opened the bowling and showed great maturity to finish with 1-32 from nine overs, while fellow debutants Charis Bekker, Poppy Stockwell and Jacqui Naidoo competed strongly.

The fact we were able to select players from our WA Cricket Academy, which we've only had in place for a few years, bodes well for the future.

Amy Edgar stepped up in her new role as our primary spinner, having bowled just one over in the WNCL prior to the season.

Spin is such a crucial part of women's cricket, and with Alana King away on Australian duties, we were eager for Amy develop that aspect of her game.

She embraced the challenge, worked incredibly hard on her bowling over summer, and reaped the rewards, taking 4-30 including South Australia's top three batters.

We went down in that game by two wickets and were beaten again by the Scorpions two days later, but laid solid foundations to build from.

Chloe Piparo (54) and Darke (50) batted nicely during our loss to Tasmania in Canberra while Zoe Britcliffe (3-33) bowled beautifully to remove the Tigers' top three.

Edgar, who was excellent under pressure all tournament, hit an unbeaten 85 against New South Wales in Sydney, lifting our score from 4-42 to 9-195.

Britcliffe bettered her earlier figures with 5-51 against Queensland in Canberra, revealing a few new variations at the death, before young England international Maia Bouchier showed her class with 79.

Piepa Cleary's all-round performance against the Queensland Fire three days later (30 not-out, 3-36) was equally impressive, likewise Charis' 2-25 from 10 overs.

We controlled long periods of that match and were right in the contest, but Mikayla Hinkley (121 not-out) got the better of us with an outstanding innings.

Our campaign wrapped up with a heavy loss to the ACT Meteors.

Clearly, we were incredibly disappointed to finish the tournament without a win, and there is significant room for improvement.

On numerous occasions, the loss of top-order wickets meant our middle-order couldn't bat with freedom. And while the conditions didn't always favour batting, we needed to convert more starts.

Our bowling was steady but lacked penetration, and we struggled to break a few partnerships that ended up deciding games.

However, we knew the season would be tough because of our list demographic and availability.

We therefore made a conscious decision to recognise the small wins as well - whether performance-based, or someone living our values.

We celebrated debuts, high scores, best bowling figures, first wickets, and even catches like Ash Day's at short leg against the Scorpions; a play we'd practised at length.

The squad enjoyed themselves as much as possible off-field, and the younger members thrived on the excitement of playing regular professional cricket. This rubbed off on our older players, as well.

Meanwhile, Piparo led well from the front, and drove team standards alongside Mathilda Carmichael.

Edgar finished the competition as our most influential player with a team-high 199 runs at 39.80 to go with seven wickets at 29.85. These performances, and her ability to lift when the chips were down, earned her the Zoë Goss Medal. We're thrilled to see that she is beginning to realise her potential.

Most of our younger players showed great promise at stages, but Wyllie was particularly impressive. She jumped at the opportunity to open the bowling, met every challenge head on, and was a deserving winner of our Rising Star award after a strong debut season.

I am incredibly thankful to everyone who joined us on the journey, especially given the challenges we faced.

The assistant coaches and support staff worked tirelessly throughout a long pre-season and during the season to ensure we entered the tournament as prepared as we could be.

Our commercial partners, Members and fans also showed amazing loyalty from afar. Their support, knowing there would be little cricket in WA, meant a lot.

We're determined to improve next year and hungry for wins. A traditional fixture with games at home, and more experience within our squad should help.

However, the 2021-22 WNCL season allowed us to bond more as a unit; test the depth of our team; and expose our less experienced players to the highest level.

There's no doubt we'll be better for it.

Becky Grundy

WOMEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE RESULTS

SA v WA - Western Australia 8-228 (50.0) DEF BY South Australia 8-230 (47.5). Tasmania win by two wickets. Carmichael 75, Darke 49, Edgar 4-35

SA v WA - Western Australia 210 (46.1) DEF BY South Australia 7-296 (50.0). South Australia win by 86 runs. Bekker 36*, Wyllie 2-49

TAS v WA - Western Australia 6-188 (50.0) DEF BY Tasmania 5-189 (45.0). Tasmania win by five wickets. Piparo 54, Darke 50, Britcliffe 3-33

VIC v WA - Match abandoned without a ball bowled.

NSW v WA - Western Australia 9-195 (50.0) DEF BY New South Wales 2-196 (39.4). New South Wales win by eight wickets. Edgar 85*, Cleary 36

QLD v WA - Western Australia 162 (39.3) DEF BY Queensland 231 (49.0). Queensland win by 69 runs. Bouchier 79, Britcliffe 5-53

QLD v WA - Western Australia 7-208 (50.0) DEF BY Queensland 7-213 (47.1). Queensland win by three wickets. Piparo 46, Carmichael 45, Cleary 30* & 3-36

ACT v WA - Western Australia 117 (37.4) DEF BY ACT 4-120 (18.1). ACT win by six wickets. Edgar 24* & 1-13, Cleary 1-17



WOMEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE STATISTICS

TEAM	M	W	L	T	N/R	PTS
Tasmania	8	7	1	-	-	31
South Australia	8	4	2	-	2	23
New South Wales	8	4	2	1	2	22
ACT	8	4	3	1	1	22
Queensland	8	4	3	-	1	21
Victoria	8	1	6	-	1	7
Western Australia	8	-	7	-	1	2

BATTING

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6s
AL Edgar	7	7	2	199	85*	39.8	320	62.18	-	1	-	16	-
M Carmichael	7	7	-	164	75	23.42	231	70.99	-	1	1	20	-
C Piparo	7	7	-	157	54	22.42	310	50.64	-	1	1	12	-
M Darke	7	7	-	135	50	19.28	225	60	-	1	-	14	-
ME Bouchier	6	6	-	130	79	21.66	147	88.43	-	1	1	14	1
P Cleary	5	5	2	103	36	34.33	168	61.3	-	-	-	8	-
A Day	5	5	-	103	34	20.6	213	48.35	-	-	-	10	-
C Bekker	5	3	2	47	36*	47	57	82.45	-	-	1	5	-
P Stockwell	2	2	-	34	25	17	49	69.38	-	-	-	2	-
T Peschel	6	6	-	31	9	5.16	77	40.25	-	-	1	3	-
GL Wyllie	6	4	1	30	13	10	55	54.54	-	-	-	1	-
MB Healy	4	4	-	27	19	6.75	55	49.09	-	-	1	2	-
S Cooper	3	2	1	9	5	9	13	69.23	-	-	-	1	-
Z Britcliffe	5	3	1	9	8	4.5	23	39.13	-	-	1	-	-
J Naidoo	2	2	1	2	2*	2	5	40	-	-	1	-	-

BOWLING

Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
Z Britcliffe	5	5	34.5	2	174	10	5-53	17.4	4.99	20.9	-	1	1	-
AL Edgar	7	7	46.1	1	209	7	4-35	29.85	4.52	39.5	1	-	1	-
P Cleary	5	5	39	4	150	6	3-36	25	3.84	39	-	-	-	-
C Bekker	5	5	34.5	-	151	5	2-25	30.2	4.33	41.8	-	-	-	-
GL Wyllie	6	6	44	2	215	5	2-49	43	4.88	52.8	-	-	1	-
T Peschel	6	6	51	5	270	4	2-62	67.5	5.29	76.5	-	-	1	-
MB Healy	4	4	23	1	117	2	1-28	58.5	5.08	69	-	-	-	-
J Naidoo	2	2	15	-	102	1	1-71	102	6.8	90	-	-	-	-
S Cooper	3	3	9	-	62	-	-	-	6.88	-	-	-	-	3
ME Bouchier	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
M Carmichael	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
M Darke	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	2
A Day	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
C Piparo	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
P Stockwell	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



Sophie Devine



Perth Scorchers

What an incredible campaign. I could not be prouder of what our Perth Scorchers players and support staff achieved during the 2021-22 Weber Women's Big Bash League season.



We were confident we had the talent and work ethic to win Perth's first WBBL title and showed promising signs in 2020-21.

Equally, we knew there would be a multitude of other factors that might help or hinder us, such as injuries, weather, and luck. COVID-19 also loomed large for the second year running.

It was therefore critical the squad remained upbeat, united, and resilient throughout the whole tournament.

Our first game against Brisbane Heat in Hobart - where WBBL|07 began, due to the pandemic - provided us with the perfect chance to test our resolve.

We batted first and scored 7-137 before Brisbane started quickly and needed just 40 runs from their last 10 overs with eight wickets in hand.

Our bowlers then rallied to secure a tie, before captain Sophie Devine chased down the 13-run Super Over target inside four balls, alongside Beth Mooney.

If we needed an early marker for the power of resilience, that contest provided it.

Brisbane put us away two days later, and our third fixture against Melbourne Renegades was washed out, which might have halted momentum a little bit.

The girls, however, stayed focused and rounded out the Tasmanian leg of the tournament with an 81-run win over Sydney Thunder. Devine (101), Mooney (65) and Alana King (4-11) played huge roles.

We enjoyed an extended period in Perth after that match, returning first to Lilac Hill where we have always had great support.

And although it was hard to watch at the time, the fans were treated to another thriller.

Hitting two sixes in one Super Over is impressive enough. To do it again - as Devine did, chasing down Adelaide's 11-run Super Over target in two balls - is elite. She is one of the best in the world, especially in tight situations, and we are lucky to have her.

More importantly, these sorts of results often define tournaments, and helped our cause enormously.

Mooney (101 not-out) and Lilly Mills (4-25) were especially impressive during our big win against Renegades at the WACA Ground.

We did, however, lose to Sydney Sixers and Hobart Hurricanes before and after that match, reminding us how even the WBBL is.

I gained enormous confidence that we were taking nothing for granted when the girls won five of the last six regular season games, with the anomaly being a washout against Sydney Thunder. Four of those wins came in Adelaide, our third base for the tournament. Critically, everyone in the team played their role and we had a number of different contributors.

We locked away top spot and a Final at Optus Stadium with an eight-wicket win against the Sixers - in itself, a huge milestone for the organisation, which got around us when we returned to Perth.

The six days that followed were a bit of a blur.

Obviously, there was a lot of buzz and excitement in Perth and at the WACA Ground, and media commitments ramped up. This put the players, particularly those with less experience, in unfamiliar territory.

I wanted them to enjoy the moment and prepare as they had throughout the tournament. We are proud of the fact our squad is close and inclusive, so I was confident we would navigate the week well.

There were, however, some concerns for Marizanne Kapp, who had limited training that week due to illness. At times I was concerned she would not get up for the game, but in her mind that was never an option.

Kapp is incredibly competitive and despite not being 100 percent fit, she insisted on playing off the back of two overs and 20 minutes in the nets the Friday before the game, and we had no hesitation backing her in. It is impossible to overstate how important she proved to be, and what she overcame to win Player of the Match honours.

The Final itself was a nerve-racking experience and a game where we were never quite on top, but also never gone.

Adelaide won the toss and sent us in; we had planned to bat first, so this result didn't faze us. The Powerplay (0-37) was steady, and although we didn't fly out the blocks, we also didn't lose wickets and knew we could make up ground. However, Mooney (19) and Devine (35) fell in quick succession, when Devine was just starting to pick the pace up and getting set for a big score.

I was incredibly pleased to see our depth rise to the fore with a few little cameos from Piparo (14), Heather Graham (23), Kapp (31*) and King (14*).

We put up a competitive score (5-146) but needed to bowl well to defend it, and the whole attack - led by Taneale Peschel (2-23), who delivered a brilliant final over - was excellent.

The game was not decided until the last three balls. I remember looking at Assistant Coach Becky Grundy and asking "are we actually going to win this?" and she just smiled and said "yep!" It was an incredible feeling.

So too was lifting that trophy in front of a sea of orange and celebrating with those who watched on at home.

Soph was named our WBBL Player of the Year, but the whole squad made enormous contributions throughout the tournament.

Our loyal commercial partners, Members and Fans also showed unwavering support the whole way, despite the challenges COVID-19 presented.

We are all hungry to experience those emotions again, and eager to jump back into training. Bring on WBBL|08.

Shelley Nitschke



Team celebrate victory



Marizanne Kapp

WEBER WOMEN'S BIG BASH LEAGUE

Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat

Perth Scorchers 7-137 (20.0) DEF Brisbane Heat 9-137 (20.0). Scorchers win via Super Over. Mooney 40, Piparo 20*, Mills 3-28, King 2-24

Brisbane Heat v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 103 (17.2) DEF BY Brisbane Heat 5-162 (20.0). Heat win by 59 runs. Devine 18, Graham 2-15.

Melbourne Renegades v Perth Scorchers

Match abandoned without a ball bowled.

Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 2-186 (20.0) DEF Sydney Thunder 9-105 (20.0). Scorchers win by 81 runs. Devine 101, Mooney 65, King 4-11, Griffith 2-17

Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers

Perth Scorchers 5-121 (20.0) DEF Adelaide Strikers (8-121). Scorchers win via Super Over. Mooney 36, Mills 2-18

Perth Scorchers v Sydney Sixers

Perth Scorchers 9-117 (20.0) DEF BY Sydney Sixers 3-161 (20.0). Sixers win by 44 runs. Mooney 30, Piparo 29, Peschel 2-34

Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades

Perth Scorchers 2-194 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Renegades 6-154 (20.0). Scorchers win by 40 runs. Mooney 101*, Devine 72, Mills 4-25

Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes

Perth Scorchers 8-135 (20.0) DEF BY Hobart Hurricanes 8-137 (20.0). Hurricanes win by two wickets. Athapaththu 33, King 2-20, Mills 2-27

Perth Scorchers v Hobart Hurricanes

Perth Scorchers 5-99 (15.3) DEF Hobart Hurricanes 96 (20.0). Scorchers win by five wickets. Piparo 29, Kapp 4-10, Mills 3-18, Devine 2-15

Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 0-98 (10.5) DEF Melbourne Stars 9-97 (20.0). Scorchers win by 10 wickets. Mooney 57*, Devine 35* & 2-11, King 2-18, Graham 2-19

Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 2-184 (20.0) versus Sydney Thunder 1-21 (2.3). No result, due to rain. Mooney 83*, Athapaththu 70*, Kapp 1-8

Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 3-177 (20.0) DEF Adelaide Strikers 5-165 (20.0). Scorchers win by 12 runs. Mooney 78, Devine 61 & 2-30, Graham 2-30

Melbourne Stars v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 6-123 (20.0) DEF Melbourne Stars 7-122 (20.0). Scorchers win by four wickets. Carmichael 30, Kapp 29*, Graham 3-16

Sydney Sixers v Perth Scorchers

Perth Scorchers 2-131 (17.2) DEF Sydney Sixers 4-128 (20.0). Scorchers win by eight wickets. Piparo 50*, Graham 34* & 1-29, King 3-18

Final | Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers

Perth Scorchers 5-146 (20.0) DEF Adelaide Strikers 6-134 (20.0). Scorchers win by 12 runs. Devine 35, Kapp 31* & 1-25, Peschel 2-23, Graham 2-30



Chloe Piparo, Amy Edgar, Marizanne Kapp, Taneale Peschel and Heather Graham



WEBER WOMEN'S BIG BASH LEAGUE STATISTICS


TEAM	M	W	L	T	N/R	PT
Perth Scorchers	14	9	3	0	2	20
Melbourne Renegades	14	8	4	0	2	18
Brisbane Heat	14	8	5	0	1	17
Adelaide Strikers	14	7	6	0	1	15
Melbourne Stars	14	5	7	0	2	12
Hobart Hurricanes	14	5	8	0	1	11
Sydney Thunder	14	4	8	0	2	10
Sydney Sixers	14	4	9	0	1	9

BATTING

Player	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	BF	SR	100	50	0	4s	6s
BL Mooney	14	14	3	547	101*	49.72	425	128.7	1	4	1	68	1
SFM Devine	14	14	1	442	101	34	344	128.48	1	2	-	52	14
C Piparo	14	10	3	216	50*	30.85	201	107.46	-	1	-	25	-
H Graham	10	9	3	182	70*	30.33	155	117.41	-	1	1	21	3
AMCJK Athapaththu	14	8	4	85	14*	21.25	78	108.97	-	-	-	8	-
M Kapp	14	10	5	106	31*	21.2	107	99.06	-	-	-	12	-
AM King	14	11	1	197	34*	19.7	179	110.05	-	-	-	18	4
M Carmichael	13	7	2	60	30	12	58	103.44	-	-	-	6	-
T Peschel	14	4	2	8	5*	4	10	80	-	-	1	-	-
L Mills	14	4	2	6	4	3	12	50	-	-	1	-	-
SM Betts	4	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-
P Cleary	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AL Edgar	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
L Griffith	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

BOWLING

Player	Mat	Inns	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	BBI	Ave	Econ	SR	4	5	Ct	St
H Graham	14	13	47	-	300	18	3-16	16.66	6.38	15.6	-	-	7	-
L Mills	14	12	30	-	205	16	4-25	12.81	6.83	11.2	1	-	4	-
AM King	14	13	50	-	292	16	4-11	18.25	5.84	18.7	1	-	8	-
M Kapp	14	14	48.3	4	256	12	4-10	21.33	5.27	24.2	1	-	5	-
SFM Devine	14	10	27	2	196	10	2-11	19.6	7.25	16.2	-	-	3	-
T Peschel	14	13	38	1	267	7	2-23	38.14	7.02	32.5	-	-	3	-
L Griffith	7	7	13	-	92	3	2-17	30.66	7.07	26	-	-	3	-
SM Betts	4	3	4	-	46	1	1-13	46	11.5	24	-	-	-	-
AMCJK Athapaththu	10	1	1	-	10	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	5	-
P Cleary	7	3	4	-	37	-	-	-	9.25	-	-	-	-	-
M Carmichael	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
AL Edgar	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BL Mooney	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
C Piparo	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-



Alcohol.Think Again

Premier Cricket

Toppled in the T20 Grand Final by Melville, Subiaco-Floreat recovered to celebrate brilliant Alcohol.Think Again 1st Grade and One-Day League titles.



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
PREMIER CRICKET

Subiaco-Floreat were crowned Alcohol.Think Again 1st Grade champions following a dramatic two-day Grand Final versus South Perth at the WACA Ground. Asked to bat on a lively surface, the Lions were rolled for 118 in 46.2 overs as Eric Botha (6-13) ran riot with ball in hand on day one. South Perth's response was stymied by the pace of Michael Hart, who tore through the Sky Blues with 7-47 and left them one run short of the first innings benchmark. The victors then batted the rest of the match without incident and eventually cruised to their first top-tier title since 2016-17.

Subiaco-Floreat's One-Day League triumph was a little more comprehensive, eclipsing Mount Lawley by 51 runs during the Grand Final at the WACA Ground. The Lions were sent in by Mount Lawley and posted 9-209 from their allotted 50 overs, with keeper-batter Ben Tredget (57) leading the way. Mount Lawley stumbled early in their chase and never recovered, bowled out for 158 off the back of wrist-spinner Hamish McKenzie's 5-30.

Melville were the toast of the Alcohol.Think Again Premier T20 competition, toppling Subiaco-Floreat by six wickets in the Grand Final at the WACA Ground. Again, the Lions lost the toss and batted first, tallying 119 from 20 overs. Melville's response was emphatic, surging into a position of strength as Fraser Hay (58) went about his work. Subiaco-Floreat were disciplined enough to drag the innings into a 20th over, but Melville remained calm and saluted with two balls to spare.

The vastly improved McKenzie earned the Olly Cooley Medal (16 votes) and was later rewarded with a WA Cricket Rookie contract.

In Women's Premier Cricket, Subiaco-Floreat claimed the Alcohol.Think Again A Grade One-Day title, while Melville took home the T20 flag.

Minor Premiers South Perth batted first in the 50-over Grand Final at Floreat Park and were dismissed for 157 in 49.4 overs, unable to combat Jess Emery (4-31) and Tansi Price (3-14). South Perth clawed back by taking two wickets inside the first 10 overs of Subiaco-Floreat's chase, but the victors were unperturbed thereafter, mowing down the target in 28.1 overs. Nicole Bolton (54) and Megan Banting (43) batted superbly.

Melville showcased nerves of steel against South Perth, winning the T20 Grand Final by one run at the WACA Ground. Opting to bat first, Melville posted 4-121 with Amy Edgar (45) in command atop the order. South Perth struggled to make early inroads, falling to 4-53 in the 12th over of their chase, but regrouped superbly to edge within 10 runs of victory after 19 overs. Kayla van Spall, however, stood tall at the death with ball in hand and guided her team across the line.

Allrounder Rebecca West won the Karen Read Medal, capping off an outstanding season with South Perth.

WA Cricket is grateful for the ongoing support of the WADCC Management Committee, club officials, volunteers and Premier Cricket sponsors, led by Healthway.

OLLY COOLEY MEDAL VOTING

1. Hamish McKenzie (Subiaco-Floreat) - 16 votes
2. Clint Hinchliffe (Mount Lawley) - 14 votes
3. Alex Bevilaqua (South Perth) - 13 votes
4. Kaiden Cookson (Fremantle) - 13 votes
5. Daniel Turkich (Claremont-Nedlands) - 12 votes
Sean Roberts (Perth) - 12 votes
Darius D'Silva (Mount Lawley) - 12 votes
Sam Fanning (Perth) - 12 votes

WADCC TEAM OF THE YEAR (MEN)

Sam Fanning (Perth), Jayden Goodwin (Subiaco-Floreat), Fraser Hay (Melville), Nick Maiolo (Scarborough), Shayne Wornes (Willetton), Darius D'Silva (Mount Lawley), Andrew Bottega (Mount Lawley), Hamish McKenzie (Subiaco-Floreat), Daniel Turkich (Claremont-Nedlands), Alex Bevilaqua (South Perth), Justin Kandiah (Midland-Guildford), Kyle Wiggers (Basewater-Morley).

FULL LIST OF AWARDS

Batting Average:

Aaron Hardie (Willetton) 536 runs at 89.33

Batting Aggregate:

Sam Fanning (Perth) 867 runs at 51.00

Bowling Average:

Hamish McKenzie (Subiaco-Floreat) 58 wickets at 12.86

Bowling Aggregate:

Hamish McKenzie (Subiaco-Floreat) 58 wickets at 12.86

Male Spirit of Cricket Award: Gosnells

Kevin Sullivan Silver Cup: South Perth

Club Championship: Subiaco-Floreat

Male Senior Coach of the Year:

Wayne Clark (Subiaco-Floreat)

Allan Edwards Trophy: Bryce Jackson (Melville)

JP Robbins Medal: Donavinn Fryer (Wanneroo)

Albert Ritchings Medal: Drew Porter (Melville)

Alan Mackley Medal: Mal Wilde (Bayswater-Morley)

Women's Grades Umpire of the Year: Nathan Gilders

Best 1st Grade Umpire: Todd Rann

Best 2nd Grade Umpire: Justin Shakeshaft

Best 3rd Grade Umpire: James Rodgers

Best 4th Grade Umpire: Justin Cunningham

Roy Abbott Best Pitch Award: Stevens Reserve West

Most Improved Pitch Award: UWA Sports Park

Premier Club Administrator of the Year:

Greg Fitzgerald (Subiaco-Floreat)

1st Grade Premiers: Subiaco-Floreat

One Day League Premiers: Subiaco-Floreat

Premier T20 Premiers: Melville

2nd Grade Premiers: Bayswater-Morley

3rd Grade Premiers: Melville

4th Grade Premiers: Willetton

Colts Premiers: Bayswater-Morley

KAREN READ MEDAL VOTING

1. Rebecca West (South Perth) - 19 votes
2. Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat) - 12 votes
Megan Banting (Subiaco-Floreat) - 12 votes
4. Chloe Piparo (Midland-Guildford) - 11 votes
5. Amy Edgar (Melville) - 10 votes

WAFCC TEAM OF THE YEAR (WOMEN)

Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat), Rebecca West (South Perth), Megan Banting (Subiaco-Floreat), Sarah Fragomeni (Midland-Guildford), Shenae Reichelt (Wanneroo), Amy Edgar (Melville), Annelies Gevers (Midland-Guildford), Jessica Emery (Subiaco-Floreat), Sarah Sribala-Sundaram (South Perth), Kayla van Spall (Melville), Chloe Wain (Melville), Jacqueline Naidoo (Subiaco-Floreat).

FULL LIST OF AWARDS

A Grade 50 Over Batting Aggregate:

Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat) 471 runs at 67.29

A Grade 50 Over Bowling Aggregate:

Jessica Emery (Subiaco-Floreat) 22 wickets at 8.55

A Grade 50 Over Champion Player:

Nicole Bolton (Subiaco-Floreat)

A Grade T20 Batting Aggregate:

Megan Banting (Subiaco-Floreat) 214 runs at 42.80

A Grade T20 Bowling Aggregate:

Rebecca McGrath (Melville) 14 wickets at 10.43

A Grade T20 Champion Player:

Rebecca McGrath (Melville)

Female Champion Club: Subiaco-Floreat

Female Senior Coach of the Year:

Shenae Reichelt (Wanneroo)

Spirit of Cricket: Rockingham-Mandurah

Clare Papasergio Player of the Year:

Chloe Ainsworth (Melville)

Jenny Owens Medal:

Sarah Fragomeni (Midland-Guildford)

B Grade 40 Over Batting Aggregate:

Shenae Reichelt (Wanneroo) 392 runs at 78.40

B Grade 40 Over Bowling Aggregate:

Sarah Fragomeni (Midland-Guildford) 11 wickets at 5.36

B Grade 40 Over Champion Player:

Sarah Fragomeni (Midland-Guildford)

B Grade T20 Batting Aggregate:

Sarah Fragomeni (Midland-Guildford) 308 runs at 61.60

B Grade T20 Bowling Aggregate:

Harriet Collins (Perth) 11 wickets at 11.73

B Grade T20 Champion Player: Harriet Collins (Perth)

A Grade T20 Premiers: Melville

A Grade One Day Premiers: Subiaco-Floreat

B Grade T20 Premiers: Melville

B Grade One Day Premiers: Wanneroo



A Sport
That Unites All



Community Cricket

For the second year running, the pandemic had a significant impact on community cricket in WA. However, cricket programs and competitions continued while participation remained steady, thanks to the tireless work of volunteers and administrators across the state.

COVID-19 presented its challenges in 2021-22, but cricket continued to bring Western Australians together.

From five-year-olds enjoying their first taste of the Woolworths Cricket Blast program (WWCB) to our over-70s veterans and everyone in between, cricket programs and matches continued because of the tireless volunteers who worked alongside the WA Community Cricket Team.

The pandemic significantly impacted the second half of the season as restrictions tightened and case numbers threatened competitions throughout the State. Access to schools to support the delivery of cricket programs was closed. Many competitions faced difficult decisions surrounding their remaining fixtures and finals series'. However, most competitions were completed thanks to the swift and innovative actions of volunteer administrators.

Despite COVID-19, registered participation - including organised school competitions, indoor cricket, WWCB and club cricket - remained steady.

The strongest growth in registered participation was seen in clubs across junior and senior cricket, with an overall increase of 3.7%. Junior club registrations increased by 1.6%, while Senior club registrations increased by 9.4%.

Participation in WWCB declined, consistent with the national trend. Although 6,000 kids from WA still signed up for this important foundation program, increasing WWCB participation is a major priority for WA Cricket and Cricket Australia ahead of the 2022-23 season.

It was exciting to see more girls register to play club cricket than ever before, with a 7% increase on last season. Program and competition pathways continue to grow and develop, significantly expanding the opportunities available to new, aspiring and established female cricketers.

WA Cricket remains determined to ensure cricket is a Sport for All. With the generous support of the WA Cricket Foundation (WACF), more than 1,000 young Aboriginal people connected with cricket through the Deadly Cricket

REDUCING HEAD TRAUMA ON AND OFF THE PITCH



WA Cricket and the Insurance Commission of Western Australia partner together to promote the Belt Up campaign, which encourages motorists to put on a seatbelt every time they get into a car. Wearing a seatbelt can reduce the severity of injury in a crash.

Belt up.

85 people were killed or seriously injured on WA roads last year while not wearing a seatbelt. Young men aged 15-34 continue to be overrepresented in serious and catastrophic car crashes every year. The Belt Up message is promoted through WA Cricket's high participations rates in metro and regional areas, strong player networks and ties to the local community, the Belt Up message is communicated to raise public awareness at a grass roots level.

Much like belting up in a car, wearing a helmet out on the field significantly reduces the occurrence of head injuries during a game. In a bid to create safer environments for players, the Insurance Commission has provided over 2,000 Belt Up helmets to grass-roots community cricket clubs across WA.

This supports the sport's objective to reduce head injuries on the field through the mandatory cricket helmet ruling that applies to community cricket across the country.

Last year, the Insurance Commission paid out \$484.8 million to people injured in crashes on WA roads. Those costs are paid by the two million motorists insured by the Insurance Commission.

INTEGRATED CRICKET LEAGUE

In addition to injury prevention, the Insurance Commission is focused on increasing the independence of people injured on the road and at work. Returning home post-accident and accessing the community are goals that the Insurance Commission supports its claimants to achieve.

People with disability may face barriers in certain environments that prevent their inclusion in an activity. The Integrated Cricket League is an inclusive competition that modifies the game format and environment to provide opportunities for people with disability. This season saw the Integrated Cricket League expanded to include four more teams across metro and regional areas.

There are now 19 teams with up to 250 players playing cricket in the community every week. The Insurance Commission supports the Integrated Cricket League as part of the Belt Up campaign to encourage participation for people with disability.

The Insurance Commission has provided the Integrated Cricket League with Belt Up branded independence-enabling kits including visual aids, helmets, and customised bats and balls to boost participation for the modified game format.

The Integrated Cricket League, with the support of the Insurance Commission, provides benefits to players with a disability beyond sport. It's an opportunity for players to develop social, leadership and communication skills and get back to the things they love doing.



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and School Leadership programs, and the inaugural Kambarang Carnival. Meanwhile, almost 800 people with a disability took part in the Star Blast program and Belt Up Integrated Cricket League.

The WACF also supports the engagement of young women in cricket, through leadership programs and the Team Connect Program.

Once again, WA clubs and volunteers shined at Cricket Australia's 2021-22 National Community Cricket Awards. Warwick-Greenwood became the third successive WA club to claim Australia's prestigious 2021-22 Community Cricket Club of the Year Award; the WA Country Cricket Board won the Technology and Media Initiative of the Year for launching their successful 'Out on the Paddock' podcast; and up-and-coming Wembley Districts volunteer Neel Kalia was named Young Volunteer of the Year.

Our congratulations go out to all the nominees, finalists and winners at the WA Community Cricket and National Community Cricket Awards. They reflect the passion shown by thousands of volunteers, school ambassadors and other stakeholders who devote countless hours to their communities. WA Cricket sincerely appreciates the commitment they've all displayed, especially in the face of another challenging and unpredictable year.

FEMALE CRICKET

More WA girls registered to play club cricket this year than ever before, with an increase of 7% compared to 2020-21.

The number of junior girls' teams increased by 5% with 119 teams across WA, and women's club cricket continued to grow. Four new teams joined the Perth Scorchers Women's League, while more country competitions were established.

Thanks to the Commonwealth Bank Next Innings Funding Program and the WA Cricket Foundation, WA Cricket established new and innovative ways to engage women and girls. All Girls Gala Days, the Confidence in Cricket program for women new to the sport, and the Emerging Leaders program for young women were just some of the opportunities on offer.

The Daughters and Dads in Cricket program was also available in WA for the first time and made possible by Healthway. Sixty-eight pairs of daughters and dads, based in three centres, participated in activities together to empower young girls through cricket.

ABORIGINAL CRICKET

Thanks to the generous support of the WA Cricket Foundation, WA Cricket continued to grow its engagement with young Aboriginal people. Participation in the Deadly Cricket programs and the School Leadership Program surged by 29% and 41%, respectively.

The inaugural Kambarang Cricket Carnival saw six teams from the Ballardong Cricket Academy, Geraldton, and La Salle College participate in cultural interactions, games and the WBBL Indigenous Round match. This included an exciting opportunity to be part of the Barefoot Circle with the players.



Woolworths Cricket Blasters

The carnival is expected to grow in 2022-23, after it was featured during Channel Seven's Ashes coverage.

COVID-19 saw the National Indigenous Championships cancelled, with WA's Aboriginal XI Men's and Women's teams instead competing in the Statewide T20 Community Cup.

MULTICULTURAL CRICKET

One of the highlights of the season came when the Woolworths Cricket Blast Program ran alongside the Perth Bengal competition. The four-week pilot program attracted 38 participants with backgrounds from Bangladesh, Pakistan and India.

The Perth Scorchers Culture Cup expanded to 10 teams, and greater focus was placed on talent identification. In turn, a representative squad of the most impressive players from the Culture Cup took part in the Statewide T20 Community Cup final.

Emphasising the diversity of cricket in WA, more than 40% of registered players identified as being from culturally or linguistically diverse backgrounds.

DISABILITY CRICKET

Funding from the WA Cricket Foundation and the Insurance Commission of WA has enabled the growth of the Star Blast Program and the Belt Up Integrated Cricket League (ICL). The ICL expanded to a three-grade competition in 2021-22, with overall participation increasing by 38% on last year.

Support from the WA Insurance Commission, through the Belt Up campaign, and WA Cricket's partnership with Autism Association of WA are also vital to cricket becoming more accessible and enjoyable for people living with a disability.

CRICKET IN SCHOOLS

The Perth Scorchers High School Girls' Competition remained steady and featured 11 teams this season, with Kent St winning both divisions from years 7-10.

Kent St Senior High School also defeated Belridge Secondary College to win the Kim Hughes Shield, while Swan Christian College defeated Newman College in the Graeme Wood Shield final. The competition had half the teams from the previous year due to COVID-19. WA Associated Catholic Colleges won the Schools Representative match.

Although the pandemic impacted the delivery of cricket programs in schools, teachers continued to engage with professional development opportunities, providing kids access to curriculum cricket programs. There was a record number of participants in regional Woolworths Cricket Blast Schools Cups as part of these.

CLUB CRICKET

The Woolworths Community Fund and Next Innings Funding helped extend the reach of the Woolworths Cricket Blast Program. These programs allowed WA Cricket to reach areas where cricket was identified as a need for children from diverse backgrounds, and targeted communities where female participation in cricket was low.

Registered participation in boys and girls junior club cricket increased by 2% and senior club cricket bounced back with a 9.4% increase on last season, despite two years compromised by COVID-19.

WA Veterans Cricket continues to grow, with standalone Veterans competitions available as well as existing senior competitions.

Work to establish a Veterans Cricket Women's program has commenced, with the goal of sending a WA Team to the first National Veterans Women's Championships later in 2022.



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COUNTRY CRICKET

Marquee country cricket competitions were held in 2021-22, despite the challenges of COVID-19. In total, 43 teams competed in the Junior and Senior Country Week competitions, with Bunbury Districts Cricket Association taking out the prestigious A-section senior division. The second annual Women's Country Week tournament featured seven teams and was won by Geraldton.

Albany Districts Cricket Association won the Belt Up Country Cup, while the Men's and Women's Country XI emerged victorious following their respective Statewide T20 Community Cup campaigns.

The Under-15 Country team showcased the significant potential of players in regional WA, when they went through the WA Under-15 Talent Carnival undefeated.

WA Cricket Area Manager - Country, Steve Philippe, received the Country Cricket Board Recognition Award for his services to country cricket, having devoted the last 15 years to improving regional cricket in the State.

COACH DEVELOPMENT

In total, 521 coaches completed their Community Coach Accreditation, and 55 coaches received the new Advanced Coach Accreditation.

Seventy-seven workshops were facilitated across WA at all levels of the game, while standalone female courses and six workshops were also delivered.

More than two-thirds (67%) of associations across WA now have a Coach Coordinator and 62% of the State's clubs have a Coach Developer, which has increased by 3% on 2020-21.

INDOOR CRICKET

Indoor Cricket participation was severely impacted by the pandemic, with restrictions causing venues to close for extended periods or shut their doors permanently.

However, new cricket programs were still introduced at many Indoor Cricket centres, and participation in junior and senior female competitions subsequently increased by 20%.

Indoor Cricket, which operates in partnership with Indoor Sports Western Australia, remains an important format that allows participants to play the game all year round.

VOLUNTEERS

The 2021-22 WA Community Cricket Awards ceremony was pre-recorded and published virtually on 21 March 2022.

Awards were presented across 14 categories, and taken out by the following winners:

Metropolitan Volunteer of the Year - Male

David Chisholm - Mandurah Junior Cricket Club

Metropolitan Volunteer of the Year - Female

Sandra Hagerty - Swan Valley Cricket Club

Country Volunteer of the Year - Male

Nathan King - Burekup Cricket Club

Country Volunteer of the Year - Female

Elle Weston - Margaret River Hawks Cricket Club

Young Volunteer of the Year

Neel Kalia - Wembley Districts Junior Cricket Club

Junior Community Cricket Club of the Year

Mandurah Junior Cricket Club

Senior Community Cricket Club of the Year

Warwick Greenwood Cricket Club

Country Cricket Club of the Year

Margaret River Hawks Cricket Club

Community Partnership of the Year

Kalamunda Cricket Club

Advancing Cricket for Females Award

Mandurah Junior Cricket Club

Inclusion and Diversity Award

Emma Briggs - Armadale Junior Cricket Club

Junior Community Cricket Coach of the Year

Steve Pabst - Kalamunda Cricket Club

Woolworths Cricket Blast Coordinator of the Year

Dave and Lore Gannaway - Darlington Junior Cricket Club

School Ambassador of the Year

Dan Rodgers - Deanmore Primary School

CRICKET AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL COMMUNITY CRICKET AWARDS

WA Cricket submitted nominations for each of the 13 categories recognised during the Cricket Australia National Community Cricket Awards.

The state's three winners, who excelled in their respective categories, were:

Community Cricket Club of the Year

Warwick Greenwood Cricket Club

Technology & Media Initiative of the Year

WA Country Cricket Board

Young Leader of the Year

Neel Kalia

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

WA Cricket acknowledges the work and support of its affiliate groups, their members, clubs and associations, as well as the School Ambassadors and thousands of dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to ensure community cricket across WA continues to grow in a healthy, inclusive and sustainable way.



Piepa Cleary and Taneale Peschel getting photo with fans



Members & Fans

MEMBER EVENTS

Both our membership renewal and growth campaigns, which were heavily focused on the Ashes Test Series, came to an abrupt halt because of the restrictions brought about by COVID-19.

With reduced cricket content impacting the value of memberships, a credit program was established, giving Members the opportunity to donate the Optus Stadium component of their membership to the WA Cricket Foundation, roll their memberships over to the next season, or request a refund. These options were well received by WA Cricket Members, with over 60% choosing to keep their credit and to apply it towards future seasons.

Despite severe restrictions, the WACA Ground hosted numerous WBBL and Sheffield Shield matches and ensured that cricket was accompanied by memorable Member experiences. The Q&A session between WA Cricket legend Kim Hughes and Perth Scorchers captain Ashton Turner, which took place during the Sheffield Shield Final, was a highlight.

For our youngest WA Cricket and Scorchers Members, we organised a special opportunity for them to mingle with their heroes during the inaugural Junior Journos event. Accredited with media passes and the license to interview a range of women's and men's Scorchers players, the juniors loved the experience.

Overall, WA Cricket Members showed overwhelming support throughout another challenging season, resulting in a renewal rate well over 90 percent. This incredible

outcome is testament to their loyalty and commitment to being part of WA Cricket's rich history and exciting future.

BRILLIANT SUPPORT FROM ORANGE ARMY

While the pandemic meant WA saw limited cricket in 2021-22, Perth Scorchers fans turned out in force when they had the opportunity.

The annual Weber Women's Big Bash League festival at Lilac Hill - which saw Perth play Adelaide Strikers on Saturday 30 October and Sydney Sixers on Sunday 31 October - drew more than 6,000 people. This was the highest weekend attendance in the league for the season, while the Sixers contest attracted a bigger crowd than any other Sunday regular season game. It was also Fox Cricket's highest rating exclusive broadcast in WBBL history.

Perth then shattered attendance and broadcast records during the WBBL|07 Final against Adelaide Strikers at Optus Stadium. The Final was enjoyed by the biggest standalone crowd (15,511) the competition has seen, and watched by a combined average audience of 535,000 on Channel Seven and Fox Cricket.

Perth's Indigenous themed WBBL round against the Sydney Sixers showcased WA Cricket's commitment to celebrating Aboriginal culture with a Welcome to Country ceremony, and a pre-match Barefoot Circle that included participants of the annual Kambarang Carnival. The Scorchers' KFC Big Bash League team furthered this commitment by hosting barefoot circles before every 'home' fixture, despite playing 13 of their 14 games interstate.



Appreciation

L-R: City of Bayswater Councillor Dan Bull, City of Bayswater Councillor Lorna Clarke, City of Bayswater Mayor Filomena Piffarette, Lisa Baker MLA Member for Maylands, Bayswater Morley Districts Cricket Club President Daniel Howes, players Nischchal and Nick (front row)

Community cricket clubs across Western Australia have secured significant investments into their future with nearly \$26.2 million in cricket facility projects being generated through the 2021-22 Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF).

CRICKET INFRASTRUCTURE IN WA

The ACIF is open to all clubs, associations, schools, councils, and cricket facility managers and provides funding for community cricket facility projects, with a focus on growing participation and promoting accessibility and inclusivity.

























Improving the infrastructure for growing clubs represents Cricket's continued commitment to developing grassroots cricket across the State.

Since 2018-19, the ACIF has provided funding to 91 cricket infrastructure projects in WA, delivering a partnered investment of almost \$49 million in total project value.

WA Cricket is grateful to the State Government and all Local Governments in WA, as well as Cricket Australia and the Australian Cricketers' Association (ACA) for their continued investment in community sporting facilities and the support they provide to support cricket participation.

The 2022-23 ACIF program will open again in October 2022, with cricket clubs and associations, councils and schools encouraged to identify projects that can be moved forward with the support of the ACIF.

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Thank you to all of the WA Cricket and Perth Scorchers Commercial Partners for their ongoing involvement and support of Western Australian cricket.



Life Members

Recognised for their contribution and service to cricket, receiving Honorary Life Membership to the Western Australian Cricket Association.

ANGELE GRAY

Angele Gray has been a loyal player and servant of cricket in WA for the past 37 years, including 17 years as a player.

The top-order batter was one of the State's youngest captains and led a very inexperienced team, often acting in the role of on-field coach and mentor to several young players.

Gray played 132 matches for WA and was a WA State captain over 1996-98. She is also one of WA's highest run scorers in Women's State cricket with 2,799 runs.

She was a member of the Australian Senior squad from 1993-96 and represented the country in the Australian

Under-23 Youth team from 1994-96, touring Australia, India and New Zealand.

In addition to her playing career, Gray has been a long serving coach, cricket radio commentator, and member of the WA Female Cricket Council (WAFCC) since 2009.

Gray has been consistently applauded for her coaching record and for her commitment to progressing Female cricket in WA. She has demonstrated strategic leadership in promoting both the growth and expansion of Community and Premier cricket in WA, especially through the WAFCC.

KEVIN GARTRELL OAM

Kevin Gartrell had an illustrious playing career and made an enormous contribution to cricket on and off the field.

Gartrell played 10 First-Class matches for WA between 1959-60 and 1962-63. Upon retiring from playing, he founded the Midland-Guildford Junior Cricket Association and the Swan View Cricket Club where he served them for 23 years and 18 years respectively.

He amassed an incredible 7,649 runs, 301 wickets and 195 catches in 249 WA Premier Cricket matches.

Gartrell has been a mentor and coach to 10 Test cricketers, and in his own words, "too many Shield players to count".

He was a State Selector for four years as well as a Life Member of the Midland-Guildford Cricket Club where he held the positions of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Club Committee Member.

In 2020 he was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for his service to sport.

Kevin is an extremely humble and personable man, who has given and continues to give an incredible amount to cricket in WA.



JENNIFER (JENNY) OWENS

Jenny Owens has been involved in cricket in WA for over 45 years.

The former off-break and leg-break bowler played 50 matches for WA and currently holds the record for best figures (7-14) in an innings by a WA Women's player.

Jenny is best known for her match-winning performance during the 1986-87 National Championships in Perth where she claimed 7-54 off 23 overs. Jenny's tally of 20 wickets topped the bowling aggregate for that tournament and did much to help WA secure their first ever National Title, a feat only replicated once since.

At the age of 24 she became the ninth WA woman to represent Australia.

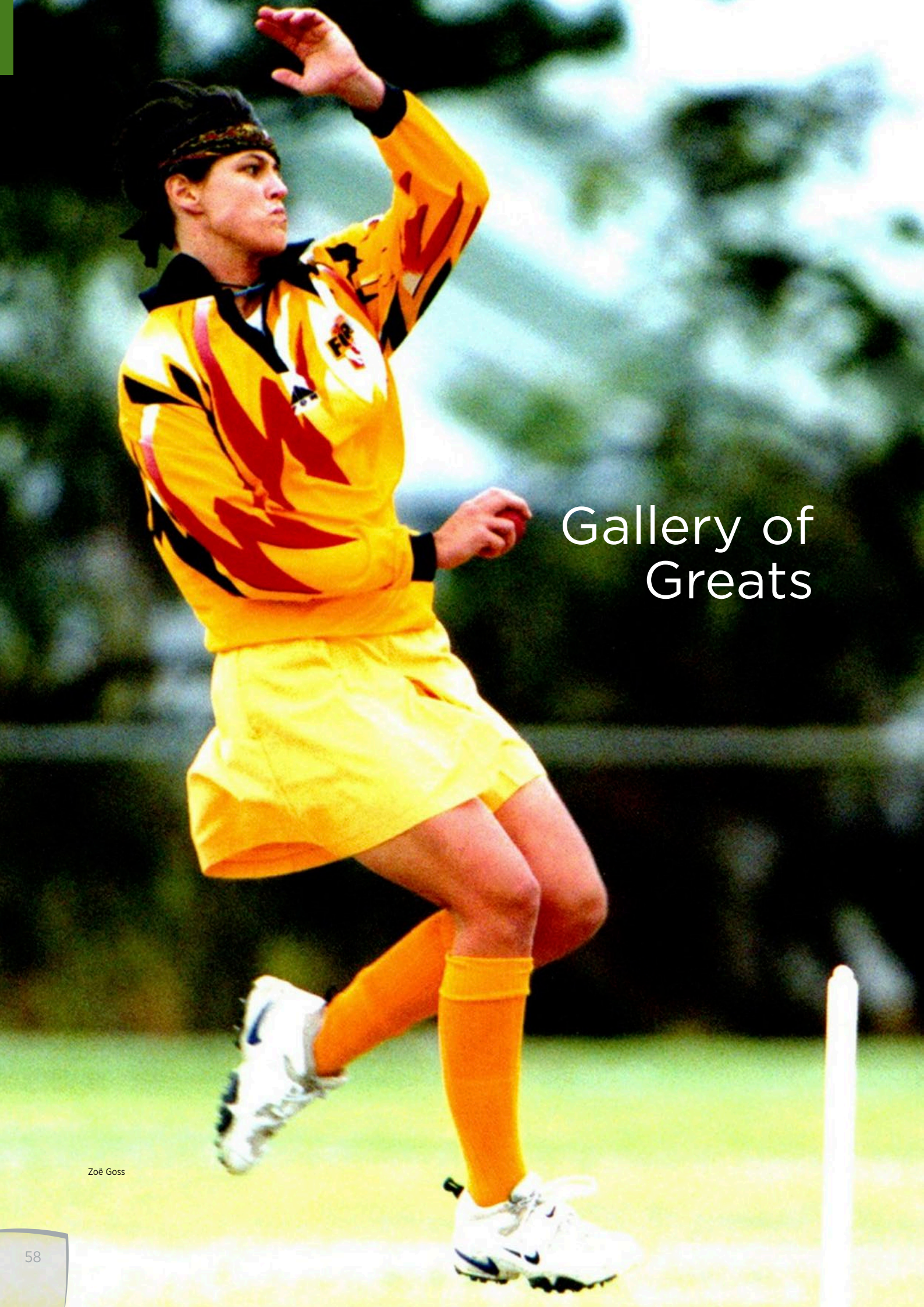
She also added her name to the list of Australian players who have achieved a five-wicket haul in Test cricket, taking 5-55 in her second Test against England in 1987.

Jenny's contributions extended beyond the field to various voluntary roles with the WA Women's Cricket Association (WAWCA) including Treasurer, and Media and Publicity Officer.

She is also inspiring girls at the grassroots level as the inaugural 'Junior Girls Ambassador' at Wembley Districts Junior Cricket Club, where she is a coach and role model to more than 100 girls.

Since 2017 Jenny has volunteered with Team Connect, a community program that creates links between schools and junior cricket clubs to give adolescent girls the opportunity to participate in cricket.





Gallery of
Greats

Zoë Goss

ZOË GOSS

Player

Zoë Goss is Western Australia's greatest female all-rounder.

A powerful and stylish batter and medium-fast bowler, Goss made her senior debut for WA at the age of 16 in 1984-85, later captaining the State for five seasons.

In 116 games for WA, Goss scored 3793 runs at an average of 38 and captured 152 wickets at 20 - both records at the time of her retirement. Goss was named WA's Senior Player of the Year a record 10 times.

Her international career spanned 13 years. Making her debut in 1987, Zoë played in four World Cups including Australia's triumph in 1988.

She amassed 1099 runs at 30 and captured 64 wickets at 19 in 65 One-Day Internationals. Goss also represented

Australia in 12 Test matches, scoring 280 runs at 23 and taking 20 wickets at 26.

Appearing in a bushfire charity match at the SCG in 1994, Goss claimed the wicket of legendary West Indies batter Brian Lara, who months earlier had set the record for the highest Test score (then 375) and the highest First-Class score (501 not-out). This feat captured headlines worldwide and triggered a surge in the popularity of the women's game.

Goss' name is now immortalised with the Zoë Goss Medal being awarded each year to WA's best female cricketer.

She received WACA Life Membership in 2014.

With only 33 inductees across its rich 136-year history, induction into the Gallery of Greats is the highest honour WA Cricket can bestow upon a person.

DARYL FOSTER OAM

Coach and Administrator

Daryl Foster made an outstanding and unique contribution to Western Australian cricket for five decades.

He coached WA to nine Sheffield Shield titles and six One-Day Domestic titles between 1974-95 - an achievement unique to the State.

One of Foster's primary hallmarks was the attention he devoted to fielding, leading him to revolutionise the way players trained.

A lecturer in human movement at the University of Western Australia, Foster also helped the UWA Cricket Academy become a world-leading International Cricket Council-accredited facility, which specialised in the scientific analysis of suspect bowling actions.

Foster's skills were highly sought after, earning him coaching stints in County cricket as well as a role with the Indian MRF Pace Foundation.

Foster held many administrative positions, served as chair of the WA selection panel, and sat on the Board of Cricket Australia. He was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 1991 and received Honorary Life Membership with WA Cricket in 1993.



Obituaries

JOHN STUBBS

The Collie product became the principal spin bowler for West Perth and then University Cricket Club, where he claimed 43 wickets in season 1953-54. His consistency with the ball led to his selection as a replacement spinner for WA in March 1956.



He played a total three First-Class matches for WA between 1956-57 and 1961-62, tallying four wickets and best bowling figures of 2-29.

Stubbs retired after 21 seasons of club cricket, having played a total of 234 matches.

He passed away on 14 August 2020, aged 88.

GEOFF FORSAITH

Pace bowler Geoff Forsaith played 14 seasons for University Cricket Club from 1949-50 and made his First-Class debut for WA in 1961.

He played one First-Class match for the State during the 1961-62 season.



A University Cricket Club legend, Forsaith played a prominent part in the club's most successful period over the 1950s and 1960s. He was also named in the club's Team of the 20th Century.

A State league baseballer in WA, he later was offered a managerial position with World Series Cricket when it formed in the mid-1970s.

Forsaith passed away on 1 October 2020, aged 91.

COLIN HARBURN

A right-hand batter and handy leg-spin bowler, Colin Harburn made his First-Class debut for WA in March 1962, becoming WA's 219th First-Class player and 71st Sheffield Shield player.



He represented WA on seven occasions between 1961-62 and 1964-65, scoring 307 career runs at an average of 23.61.

His highest score of 139 was against an Australian XI at the WACA Ground as an opener in April 1964 and his fourth wicket partnership with Keith Punch of 136 in that match was a highlight, saving WA's second innings total.

Harburn also played against the touring South African team in October 1963.

He played his last match for WA in December 1964 before he was transferred with the RAAF to Melbourne where he played for Footscray.

He passed away on 12 January 2022, aged 83.

SUE CRUTHERS

A valuable opening swing bowler, Sue Cruthers made her debut for WA in the 1977-78 season during a carnival held in Melbourne.



Sue, affectionately known as "Scrubby", represented the State Under 21s team over two seasons from 1976-78, showcasing her ability with the impressive figures of 4-27 and 3-39 in an outright win against New South Wales.

Sue played schoolgirl's cricket for St Mary's and was selected in the WA State Schoolgirls teams in 1974 and 1975.

Later in her cricket career Sue played for Stirling Women's Cricket Club and Canning Districts Women's Cricket Club before focusing on her medical studies, graduating as a doctor in 1982.

Following her cricket career Sue took up long distance running and qualified for the New York Marathon.

She passed away on 16 February 2022, aged 64.

RODNEY MARSH MBE

Affectionally nicknamed "Bacchus" and "Iron Gloves", Rod Marsh made his debut for WA against the West Indies at the WACA Ground in October 1968 as a specialist batter, and then went on to become one of the great wicketkeepers of all time.

He played for WA between 1968-69 and 1983-84, captaining the team in 17 matches, and leading the team to Sheffield Shield and One-Day victories in 1976-77.

For Australia, Marsh played 96 Test matches, scoring 3,633 runs at 26.51 and completing 355 dismissals. In 92 One-Day Internationals, Marsh tallied 1,225 runs at 20.08 with 124



dismissals. During his career, Marsh held both the Australian and Test wicketkeeping records for dismissals.

His partnership with WA teammate and great mate Dennis Lillee is one of the most iconic in Australian cricket history, with the famous phrase “caught Marsh, bowled Lillee” appearing in the scorebooks 95 times and remaining a record today. The pair had an enormous on impact on WA's fortunes in Sheffield Shield cricket.

He was one of the five inaugural inductees of the WA Cricket Gallery of Greats in 2006 and became an Honorary WACA Life Member in 1985.

The Lillee-Marsh Stand was named in his honour in 1988 and he was inducted into the Australian Cricket Hall of Fame in 2005 and the ICC Hall of Fame in 2009, before he served as Australia's Chairman of selectors until 2016.

He passed away on 4 March 2022, aged 74.

STAN WILSON

WA pace bowler Stan ‘Steamer’ Wilson made his First-Class debut for WA against Victoria in a Sheffield Shield match at the WACA Ground in November 1968.

He played six matches for WA between 1986-69 and 1975-76. Wilson's best performance for WA came against South Australia at Adelaide Oval when he took five wickets, including career-best figures of 4-29 from 6.3 overs in the second innings that featured the wicket of Greg Chappell.



He made his debut for Midland-Guildford Cricket Club in the 1965-66 season at the age of 18. Wilson played 175 matches over 15 seasons of club cricket in WA. Throughout his playing career he took 495 wickets at 17.58 with 28 hauls of five wickets or more in an innings.

His best performance in club cricket came in 1970-71 when he claimed 8-12 against Claremont-Cottesloe Cricket Club at Creswell Park.

Stan is a Life Member of Midland-Guildford Cricket Club and was selected in the Club's Team of the Century.

He passed away in March 2022, aged 73.

BARRY MILLARD

A grade cricketer from Fremantle Cricket Club, Barry Millard turned his attention to umpiring in 1969-70.

He quickly advanced to First Grade and in 1974-75 stood against England in their tour match versus WA.

Work commitments took Millard away from the game the following year. He came back to cricket again for a brief two-season stint in the mid-1980s.

He played 130 matches over nine seasons.

Millard passed away on 5 April 2022, aged 84.

JOHN RUTHERFORD

The Bruce Rock product became the first player to earn a Baggy Green while representing WA in the Sheffield Shield, when he was called up for Australia's match against India in Bombay in 1956.



His selection followed an excellent century during a trial match in Sydney, which Rutherford played despite suffering injuries in a car accident shortly before the game.

Rutherford travelled with the Australians during their 1956 Tour of England and gained the nickname Pythagoras while crossing the Pacific after explaining to teammate Keith Miller how to calculate the distance to the horizon by using Pythagoras' Theorem. A stoic right-handed opener, Rutherford struck 30 and took a wicket bowling wrist spin during his sole appearance for Australia.

In total, he played 67 First-Class games and tallied 3,367 runs at 31.76 with six centuries and 15 half-centuries. This included 2,200 runs at 37.93 in 33 Sheffield Shield matches.

During his later years, Rutherford donned the Baggy Green as a regular guest of honour for the annual social cricket match played each January at Wedge Island near Lancelin.

Rutherford received Honorary Life Membership to the WACA in 2019.

He passed away on 19 April 2022, aged 92.

HEATHER ASQUITH

A gifted sportswoman, Heather Asquith represented WA in softball and basketball before turning her hand to cricket in her early thirties. She first represented Willows and later joined the Subiaco Cricket Club.



Asquith became the 72nd female to represent WA when she debuted against Victoria in Perth in January 1962 as a diminutive wicketkeeper and useful lower-order batter.

She remained a member of every State team for 10 consecutive years to 1970-71 and was vice-captain for three seasons, including when WA played the touring England side at Rosalie Park in December 1968.

Asquith served as Secretary of the WA Women's Cricket Association for several years in the late 1960's and was WA's delegate to the Australian Women's Cricket Council during the same period.

Her significant contribution both on and off the field saw her awarded Life Membership of the WAWCA in 1972. She received Honorary Life Membership of the WACA in 2017.

Asquith passed away on 5 May 2022, aged 91.

BRIAN MUGGLETON

The son of Merv Muggleton, who played baseball for Sturt and South Australia, Brian Muggleton was born in Adelaide, and moved with his family to Perth in 1949.

He made his First-Class debut for WA during the 1964-65 season, scoring 21 and 12 runs in a Sheffield Shield match against New South Wales as a middle-order batter.



The hard-hitting right-hander played for Fremantle and then Mount Lawley Cricket Club as captain and coach, scoring 5,184 runs from his 159 grade cricket matches.

Muggleton was also a keen baseballer, playing for WA in Claxton Shield matches and for the Melville Braves at club level, where his father had coached for 16 seasons.

He passed away on 12 May 2022, aged 80.

WILLIAM BRYANT

William (Bill) Bryant was elected as a Members Representative on the WACA Executive team in 1981-82 and served for 14 years.

He then became vice-president in 1995-96 and stood for nine years. In the interim he chaired the WACA Appeal Board from 1981-82 and was Chairman of the WACA Membership sub-committee.

Bryant received Honorary Life Membership of the WACA in 2002, following in the footsteps of his father, Richard (awarded Life Membership in 1956), and uncle, Frank (1972).

Upon being awarded Life Membership, Bryant said: "It is incredibly gratifying to be involved with such a wonderful organisation as the WACA".

On field, Bryant spent time playing for both University and Mount Lawley.

He was a devoted husband to June, loving dad of Michael, Mandy, Richard and Robert, and father-in-law to Marita, Nicholas and Gabrielle, and beloved grandpa to Henry.

He passed away on 24 July 2022, aged 83.

LAURIE SAWLE AM

Laurie Sawle was a visionary of Western Australian and Australian cricket administration, steering the nation's cricketing direction in the latter part of the 20th century.

Known commonly as "The Colonel" - having served in the 7th Australian Infantry Battalion during the Second World War - Sawle had a profound impact as State selector between 1962 and 1980 and later became a member of Australia's selection panel between 1982-1995.

For 11 of those years, Sawle was Chair of national selectors, awarding Test debuts to Steve Waugh, Mark Waugh, Mark Taylor, Ian Healy, Shane Warne, Glenn McGrath, Damien Martyn, Justin Langer, and Matthew Hayden, among others.

The Colonel, who was also an effective team manager during the 1989 Ashes series, and served as Director on the Australian Cricket Board, is considered by some experts as the architect of the era.



On field, Sawle scored one century in 35 First-Class matches as a gritty left-handed opener for WA, during a career that yielded 1,701 runs at 28.83.

His vast contribution as a WA selector and administrator, including a long period on the WACA Board and a brief time as its Chair, saw the Laurie Sawle Medal struck and awarded for the first time in 2000-01. This remains the most prestigious individual male award at WA Cricket.

In March 2009, Sawle was inducted into the WA Cricket Gallery of Greats and in 1983 he received Honorary Life Membership to the WACA.

He passed away on 25 July 2022, aged 96.

STEPHEN MILOSZ

Born in Northam, Stephen Milosz was regarded as a confident and tactically aggressive leg-spin bowler who enjoyed success in grade and First-Class cricket.



Milosz claimed two wickets during WA's four-wicket triumph over Queensland in the 1983-84 Sheffield Shield Final at the WACA Ground and spent three seasons playing for his native State (1983-84, 1985-86, and 1987-88).

These campaigns were separated by a work-inspired stint with Tasmania (1986-87), which afforded Milosz the chance to play on a home surface more conducive to spin.

A consistent performer at Grade level, Milosz's tally of 55 wickets for Bayswater-Morley Cricket Club in 1983-84 remains a Club record.

Milosz finished his First-Class career with 44 wickets and two five-wicket hauls (best bowling of 6-153) from 21 games.

He passed away in July 2022, aged 66.

In Memoriam

The Western Australian Cricket Association extends sincere sympathy to the family and friends of the following Members for whom we have advice of their untimely passing during 2021-22.

Any omission in failing to acknowledge the passing of a valued Member is sincerely regretted.

Heather Asquith
Sue Cruthers
Bradley R Gibson
Steve Lassam
Rodney W Marsh
Colin Minson
William Purcell
John W Rutherford
Laurie Sawle

Western Australian Cricket Association Limited

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the year ended 30 June 2022

The 2021-22 financial year was another year impacted by the COVID-19, with government-imposed restrictions limiting the amount of cricket in Western Australia. As a consequence, no international cricket was played at Optus Stadium for the second consecutive year, while WA hosted just one KFC Big Bash League match.

Although a tough year financially, WA Cricket had an outstanding year on field winning four of a possible five finals for the men's and women's teams. WA Cricket won their first Sheffield Shield title in 23 years and another Men's One-Day Domestic Cup, while Perth Scorchers claimed their maiden Weber Women's Big Bash League title and a record fourth KFC Big Bash League title.

To combat COVID-19, WA Cricket developed a plan to protect cash reserves, the assets of the WA Cricket, and all forms of cricket across the State. With strong cash reserves held by WA Cricket, a strategic, timed and people-first approach was taken to tackle the challenges in 2021-22 and beyond.

WA Cricket continued to invest in cricket across the state, supporting elite men's and women's teams, junior pathway programs, and community cricket (including grassroots, veterans, and diversity and inclusion programs).

The impacts on revenue due to COVID-19 and the WACA Ground Improvement Project (WGIP) in 2021-22 were:

- Reduced Cricket Australia funding by 7.5%;
- Reduced cricket fixtures (no international matches and only one KFC Big

Bash League match played in WA), reducing match revenue by 83%;

- Membership fee refunds and credits to 2022-23, and reduced membership numbers because of limited cricket content resulting in a reduction in membership revenue by 38%;
- Reduction in WACA Ground function-related revenue by 25%; and
- The recognition of grant funding of \$4,247,476 due to the commencement of the WGIP, which enabled WA Cricket to demolish the Inverarity and Prindiville Stands, complete the oval lengthening, and upgrade the light towers in preparation for the main works of the project.

WA Cricket membership (both WACA Members and Perth Scorchers Members) revenue was down 38% (from \$2,167,938 in 2020-21 to \$1,352,313 in 2021-22 - a material reduction from \$6,118,128 in 2019-20) due to member refunds, crediting member fees into the 2022-23 season.

Although membership revenue was down 38%, the WACA Member and guest card numbers this year were 11,812, down on 12,273 last year (or 3.8%).

The recognition of revenue and expenses as a result of the WGIP and the impact of COVID-19 in the 2021-22 financial year resulted in:

- Revenue and other income of \$33,093,463 - up \$564,518 (or 2%) on last year.
- Expenditure of \$30,843,805 - down \$1,139,215 (or 3.6%) on last year.

The above revenue figure includes capital grants recognised for the WGIP from the State Government, Federal Government and Cricket Australia

which is recognised in the financial statements in accordance with the accounting standard AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities.

This resulted in a surplus from operating activities of \$2,250,658 (compared to a surplus last year of \$546,925).

Although the accounting standard (AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities) shows WA Cricket with a large surplus result due to the inclusion of the WGIP funding, the adjusted operating result of our normal business operations is a deficit of \$1,996,818 reflecting the minimal cricket content held in WA this season.

Over the past two seasons, WA Cricket's goal was to protect cash reserves to combat the ongoing impacts of COVID-19, and to enable the WACA Ground Improvement Project to be completed. In 2021-22 the closing cash balance was \$17,044,845 (compared to last year of \$19,648,578) and is broken up between WA Cricket business as usual operations of \$15,769,764 (compared to last year of \$17,689,001) and cash flow for the WACA Ground Improvement Project of \$1,275,081 (compared to last year of \$1,959,577). The cash flow includes \$2,253,696 in membership credits retained due to the reduced cricket content in 2021-22. These credits will be used to offset a portion of Members' fees in 2022-23 and will have a negative impact on next year's cash flow position.

Please find attached summaries:

- Profit and Loss Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Cash Flow Statement

The full set of financial statements are presented in the 2021-22 Western Australian Cricket Association Limited Financial Statements - Annual Report.

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 (\$'000's)	2021 (\$'000's)
REVENUE		
Revenue	28,753	29,747
Other Income	4,342	2,783
Employee benefit expenses	(18,608)	(17,674)
Match & event expenses	(2,467)	(4,682)
Equipments & maintenance expense	(1,704)	(2,449)
Travel & entertainment expense	(1,348)	(977)
Contractors & consultants expense	(2,407)	(1,671)
Administration expense	(1,337)	(1,201)
Promotion & advertising expense	(538)	(401)
Other expenses	(1,090)	(1,101)
Grants to affiliate bodies	(1,099)	(1,184)
Interest expense	(10)	(11)
Depreciation	(236)	(632)
Profit for the period	2,251	547
Other Comprehensive Income / (Expenses)	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income / (Deficit)	2,251	547

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2022

	2022 (\$'000's)	2021 (\$'000's)
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	17,045	19,649
Trade and other receivables	6,555	110
Inventories	12	5
Other current assets	-	30
Total current assets	23,612	19,793
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	11,684	3,798
Total non-current assets	11,684	3,798
Total assets	35,297	23,591
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	6,118	6,130
Lease liabilities	64	64
Provisions	1,250	1,371
Deferred income	13,724	4,136
Total current liabilities	21,156	11,700
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease liabilities	304	360
Provisions	271	216
Total non-current liabilities	575	576
Total liabilities	21,731	12,276
NET ASSETS	13,566	11,315
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Accumulated surplus	13,566	11,315
Total accumulated funds	13,566	11,315

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 (\$000's)	2021 (\$000's)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts in the course of operations	29,143	30,719
Cash payments in the course of operations	(30,718)	(29,695)
Job Keeper received	-	2,513
Interest received	94	78
Net cash provided by operating activities	(1,481)	3,615
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	-
Funding received for WACA Ground Improvement Project	7,000	3,250
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(8,123)	(2,616)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,123)	634
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Lease liability repayment	-	(65)
Net cash (used in) financing activities	-	(65)
Net increase in cash held	(2,604)	4,183
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	19,649	15,465
Cash at the end of the financial year	17,045	19,649

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The people behind the scenes.



Strong partnerships are important in cricket. **Ours is helping cricketers hit peak performance.**

Murdoch University's partnership with the WA Cricket has actively improved performance in our much loved sport. Murdoch's exercise science staff and students are improving cricketers' performance through the use of innovative technology and training methods that help elite batters to better predict bowler behaviour, read body language and plan shots.

And through a free thinking approach, Murdoch is bolstering further opportunities for research, scholarships, and student development with internships. Which means it won't be long before we see even more Western Australians stepping up to the crease wearing the baggy green.



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